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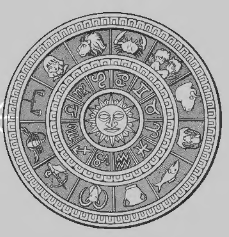
When creating manga, I am my own worst enemy, always battling myself. Each week, as the deadline approaches, it truly becomes a death match that would defy an outsider's imagination. As I painstakingly squeeze out ideas, it feels like I'm driving gimlets into my brain. I occasionally hear of a writer's suicide on the news. It may have been a war casualty of one who lost the battle against himself.

How long will my battle continue, I wonder...

Masami Kurumada–1988



Masami Kurumada made his manga debut in 1974 with **Sukeban Arashi** (Delinquent Storm), the story of the life of a teenage girl. His first big hit came in 1977 with the popular series **Ring ni Kakero** (Put It All in the Ring). In 1986, he truly hit it big when he created **Saint Seiya** (Knights of the Zodiac), which was first serialized in **Weekly Shonen Jump** magazine, then went on to span 28 volumes, 114 TV episodes, four movies and a video game!

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Shaka: Close to Godhood!

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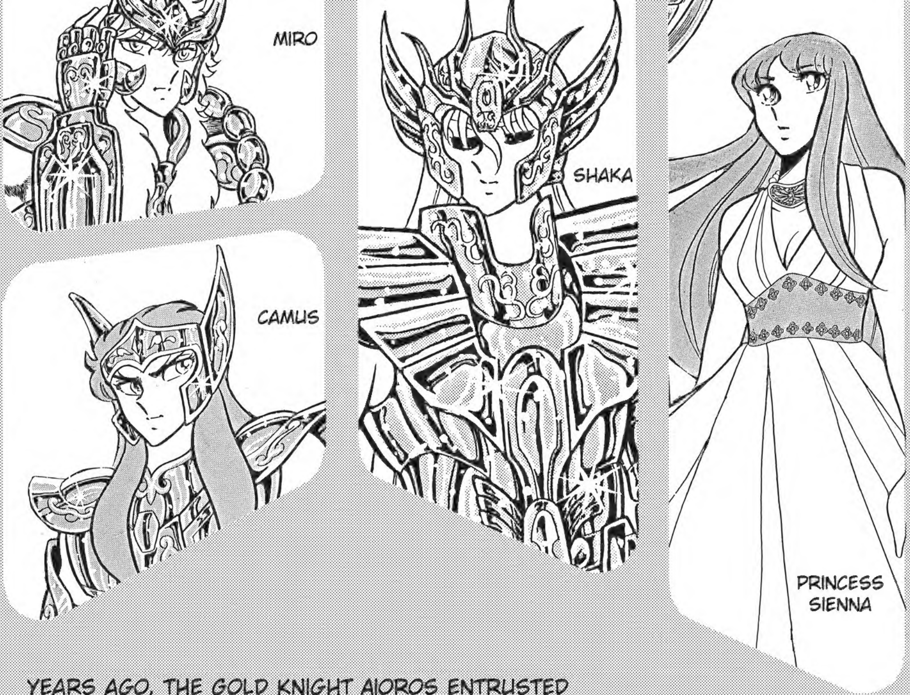
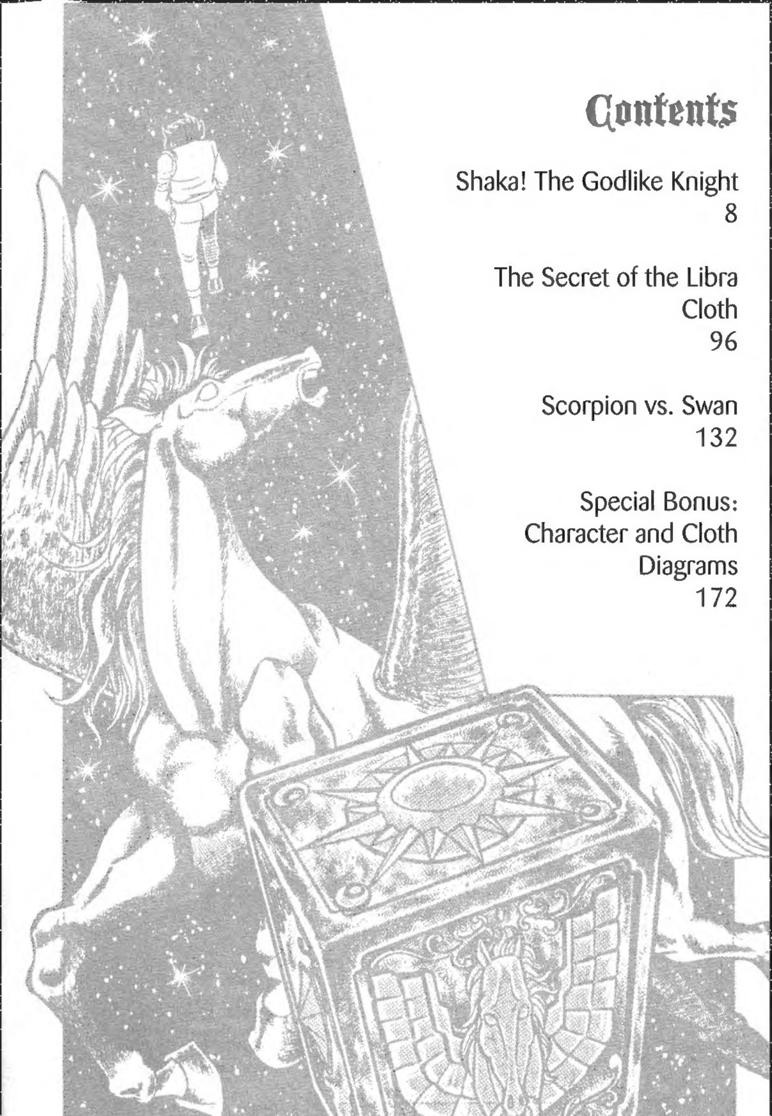


THE STORY THUS FAR ...

YEARS AGO, THE GOLD KNIGHT AIOROS ENTRUSTED LORD NOBU OF THE GRANDE FOUNDATION WITH THE INFANT PRINCESS SIENNA, THE INCARNATION OF THE GODDESS ATHENA. TO RAISE WARRIORS WITH THE STRENGTH TO FIGHT FOR ATHENA, LORD NOBU SENT HIS OWN 100 CHILDREN OUT INTO THE WORLD TO TRAIN AS KNIGHTS. THE FOUR BRONZE KNIGHTS, SEIYA, HYÔGA, SHIRYÛ AND SHUN, HAVING SUCCEEDED BRILLIANTLY IN THEIR TRAINING, ACCOMPANY PRINCESS SIENNA TO SANCTUARY, HEADQUARTERS OF KNIGHTHOOD. THERE, SIENNA IS DETERMINED TO CONFRONT THE CORRUPT MASTER OF SANCTUARY. AT THE GATES OF SANCTUARY, PRINCESS SIENNA IS STRUCK DOWN BY A POISONED ARROW FIRED BY THE SILVER KNIGHT TREMY. TREMY TELLS THE BRONZE KNIGHTS THAT, IF THEY WANT TO SAVE SIENNA, THEY MUST MAKE THEIR WAY THROUGH THE 12 PALACES OF THE GOLD KNIGHTS AND FIND THE MASTER OF SANCTUARY, WHO HAS THE POWER TO CURE THE ARROW'S POISON. RALLYING UNDER ATHENA'S NAME, THE BRONZE KNIGHTS BEGIN THEIR ATTACK ON THE GOLD KNIGHTS. THE GOLD KNIGHT AIORIA, WHO WAS ONCE SEIYA'S FRIEND, IS BRAIN-WASHED BY THE MASTER AND VICIOUSLY ATTACKS SEIYA AS IF HE WERE A STRANGER. TO BREAK AIORIA OUT OF HIS TRANCE, SEIYA'S OLD RIVAL CASSIOS SACRIFICES HIMSELF. SEIYA'S HEART IS STRUCK BY CASSIOS' NOBILITY, BUT THIS IS ONLY THE BEGINNING OF THE BATTLES THAT AWAIT SEIYA AND HIS FRIENDS...



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OF THE
ZODIAC

SHAKA!
THE GODLIKE KNIGHT

IN ORDER TO AWAKEN ME...
SO THAT I COULD LIVE...
HE GAVE HIS LIFE INTENTIONALLY ...
HE TOLD US TO LEAVE EVERY-THING TO HIM...
CASSIOS, YOUR SACRIFICE...
...WILL NOT HAVE BEEN IN VAIN!!

WUP
WUP
WE HAVE TO PRESS ON TO THE PALACE OF THE MAIDEN!
AIORIA, PLEASE TAKE CARE OF CASSIOS'S BODY!
HUH?
HOW'S THAT? YOUR FRACTURED RIGHT LEG SHOULD HURT A LITTLE LESS NOW!
WAIT, SEIYA!
DIDN'T MÛ TELL YOU THAT THE SEVENTH SENSE IS THE SOURCE OF THE COSMO?
AIORIA!
YOU ARE ALL TRUE KNIGHTS!
SEIYA, YOU'VE LEARNED TO MAKE YOUR COSMO BLAZE FAR MORE POWERFULLY THAN BEFORE.
IF ONLY FOR AN INSTANT, YOU SURPASSED THE SILVER KNIGHTS AND RAISED YOUR COSMO TO THE LEVEL OF A GOLD KNIGHT.

ESPECIALLY SHAKA, WHO GUARDS THE PALACE OF THE MAIDEN! HE IS ALMOST A GOD!
BUT HEED MÛ'S WARNING: GOLD KNIGHTS ARE STILL MANY TIMES MORE POWERFUL THAN YOU ARE!
JUST REMEMBER, DO NOT PROVOKE SHAKA TO OPEN HIS EYES!
WHAT? ALMOST A GOD?
HOW DO YOU MEAN?
HUH?
OPEN HIS EYES?
YES... FOR WHEN SHAKA OPENS THEM, NO ENEMY CAN SURVIVE HIS ONSLAUGHT!!

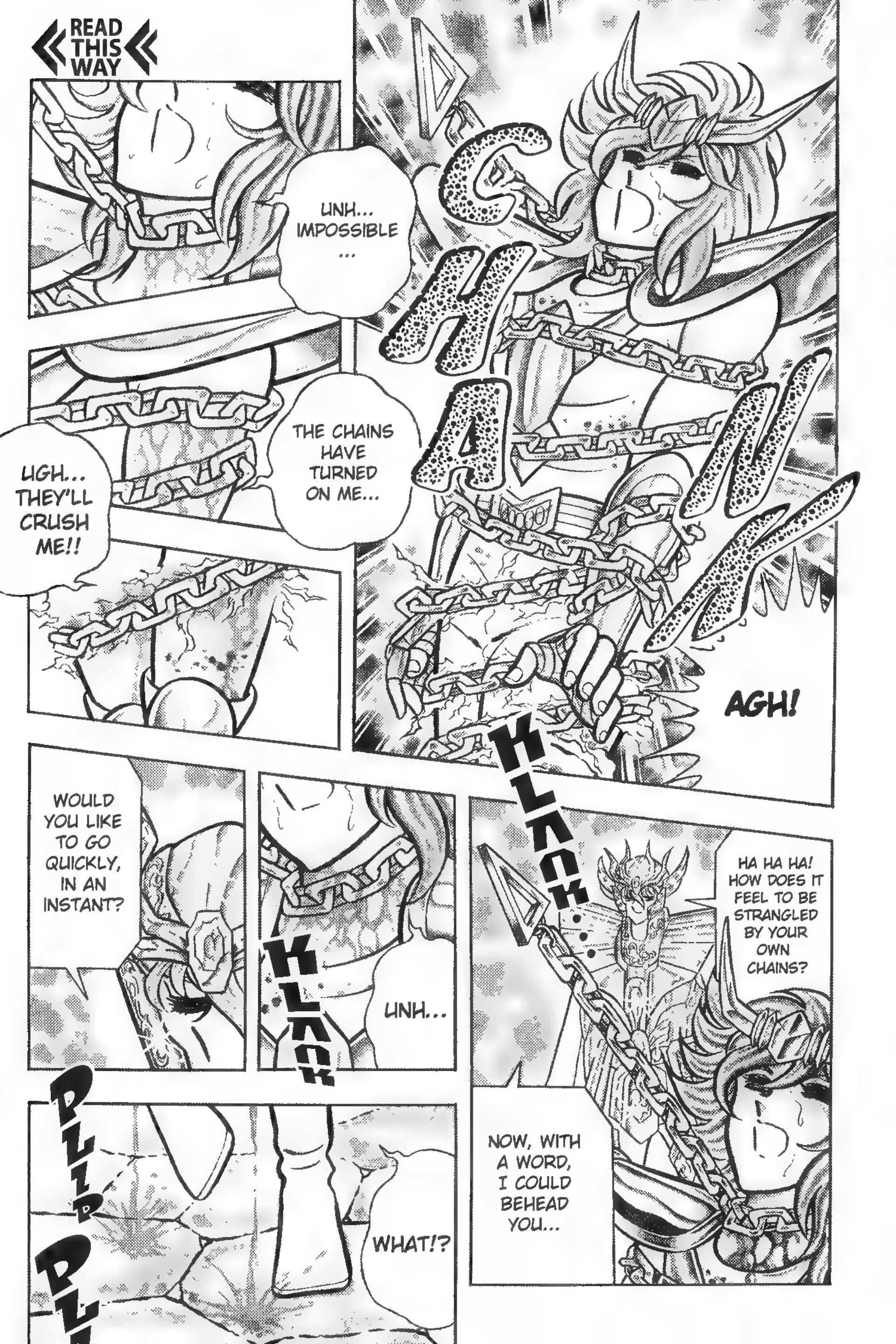
SEIYA!!
WHA-- !?
YOU BARGE INTO THE PALACE OF THE MAIDEN AND ATTACK ME LIKE RAVENOUS GAKI DEMONS SPRINGING AT A CORPSE. HO HO HO...
HEH. YOU'RE AN ILL-MANNERED LOT!

RISING DRAGON BLOW!!
WHOOM
WHAT?
IGNORE IT, SHUN. WE DON'T HAVE TIME TO ARGUE!
REMEMBER WHAT AIORIA SAID? WE CAN'T LET SHAKA OPEN HIS EYES.
WE HAVE TO TAKE HIM DOWN BEFORE HE DOES...
ON YOUR GUARD, SHAKA!!

WHAT IS THIS? A WALL OF AIR PRESSURE STOPPED MY FIST!
HEH. YOUR PUNY PUNCH HAS CAUSED A BACK-FLOW. ROZAN'S GREAT WATERFALL ISN'T ALL THAT IMPRESSIVE, YOU KNOW.
WHOOOM!!
BEHOLD! SOON THIS WALL OF AIR WILL PENETRATE YOUR CLOTH AND RIP THE FLESH FROM YOUR FIST!
WHAT!?
GRP
THEY WILL BE PULVERIZED AND YOU'LL BE LEFT WITH A STUMP!
AND AFTER THAT, IT WILL ATTACK YOUR BONES!
WHAT?!
GRP

SHIRYU!!
UGH!
GRR! NOW IT'S MY TURN, SHAKA!
NEBULA CHAINS!!

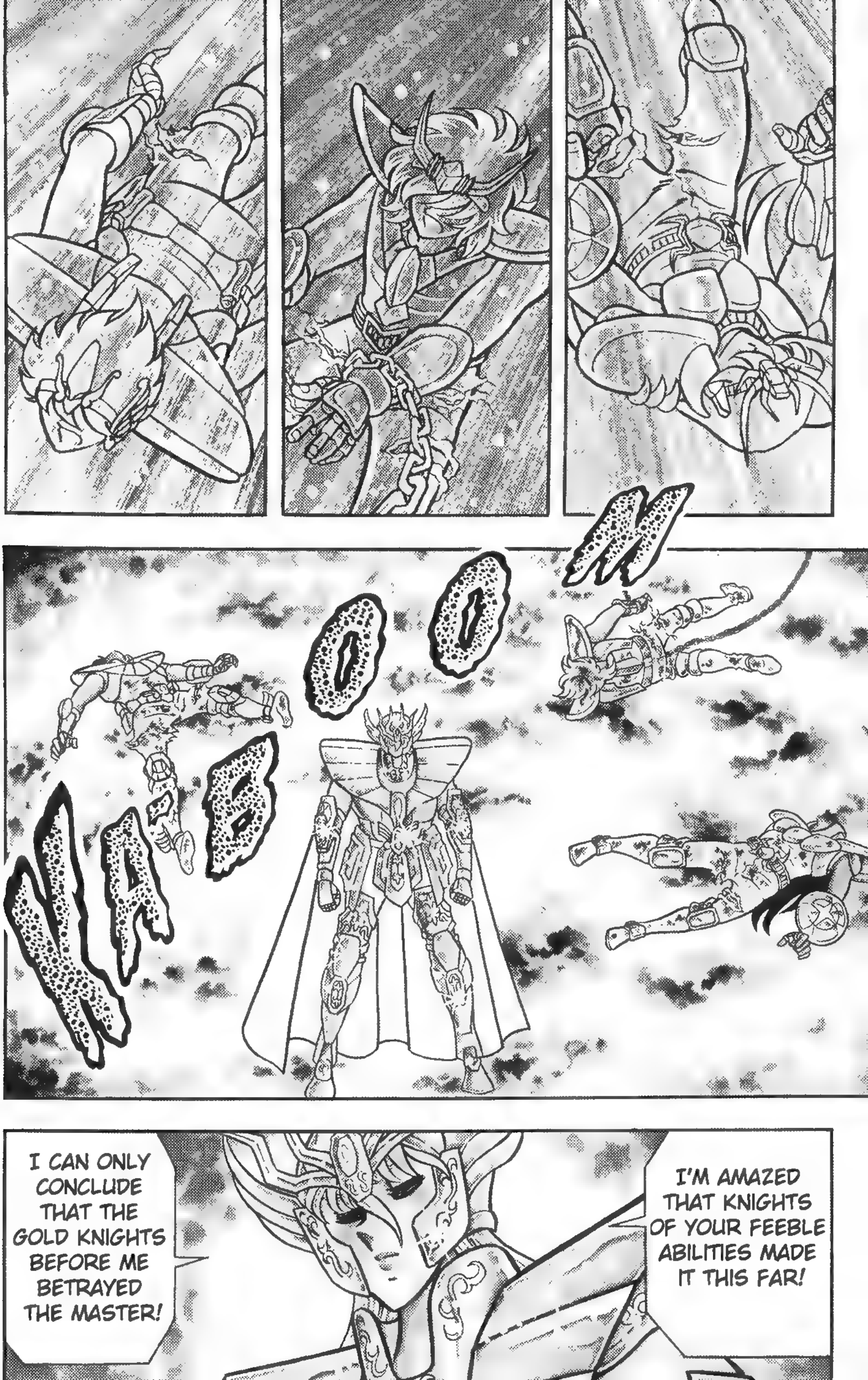
WH-WHAT? THE CHAINS HALTED THEIR ATTACK!?
KAN
WHA...?


READ THIS WAY
CHANK
AGH!
UNH... IMPOSSIBLE ...
THE CHAINS HAVE TURNED ON ME...
UGH... THEY'LL CRUSH ME!!
KLACK...
HA HA HA! HOW DOES IT FEEL TO BE STRANGLED BY YOUR OWN CHAINS?
NOW, WITH A WORD, I COULD BEHEAD YOU...
KLACK
UNH...
WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO QUICKLY, IN AN INSTANT?
WHAT!?
PLIP

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, SHUN!?
SHUN!!
UNH... MY HEAD'S STILL ATTACHED...
UGH!
IS THIS MAN REALLY...
H-HE'S STRONG, LIKE AIORIA SAID...
...ALMOST A GOD!!?
FWOOSH
BRONZE KNIGHT GAKI, I SHALL NOW SAY A REQUIEM FOR YOU!!
BE BANISHED TO THE REALM OF HUNGRY SPIRITS!!

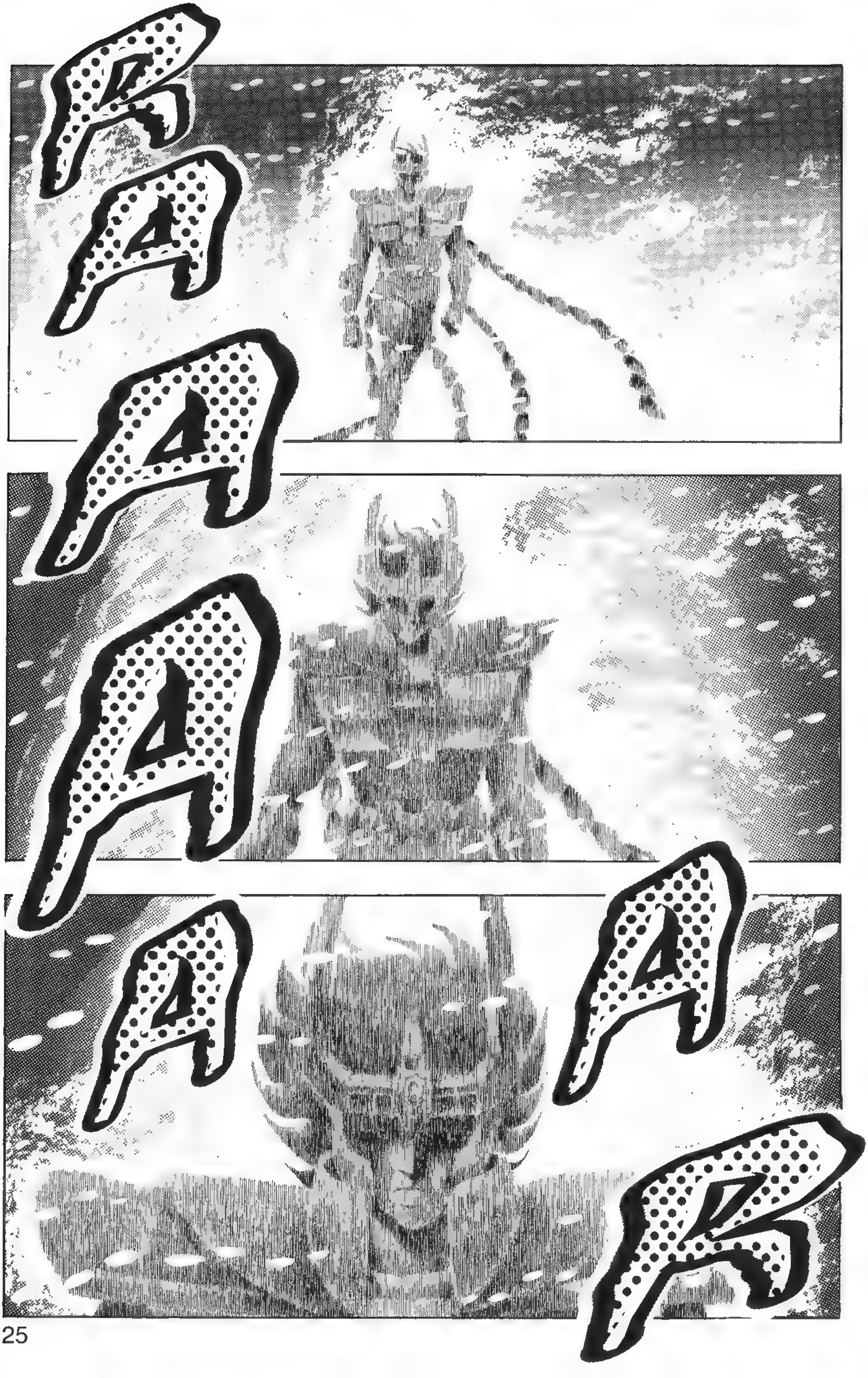
THOOOM
OHM
WHAT'S THAT?
A MINIATURE COSMOS BETWEEN SHAKA'S HANDS... !?
HE'S FLARING HIS COSMO!

DEMON
CAPITULATION!!


WABOOM
I'M AMAZED THAT KNIGHTS OF YOUR FEEBLE ABILITIES MADE IT THIS FAR!
I CAN ONLY CONCLUDE THAT THE GOLD KNIGHTS BEFORE ME BETRAYED THE MASTER!

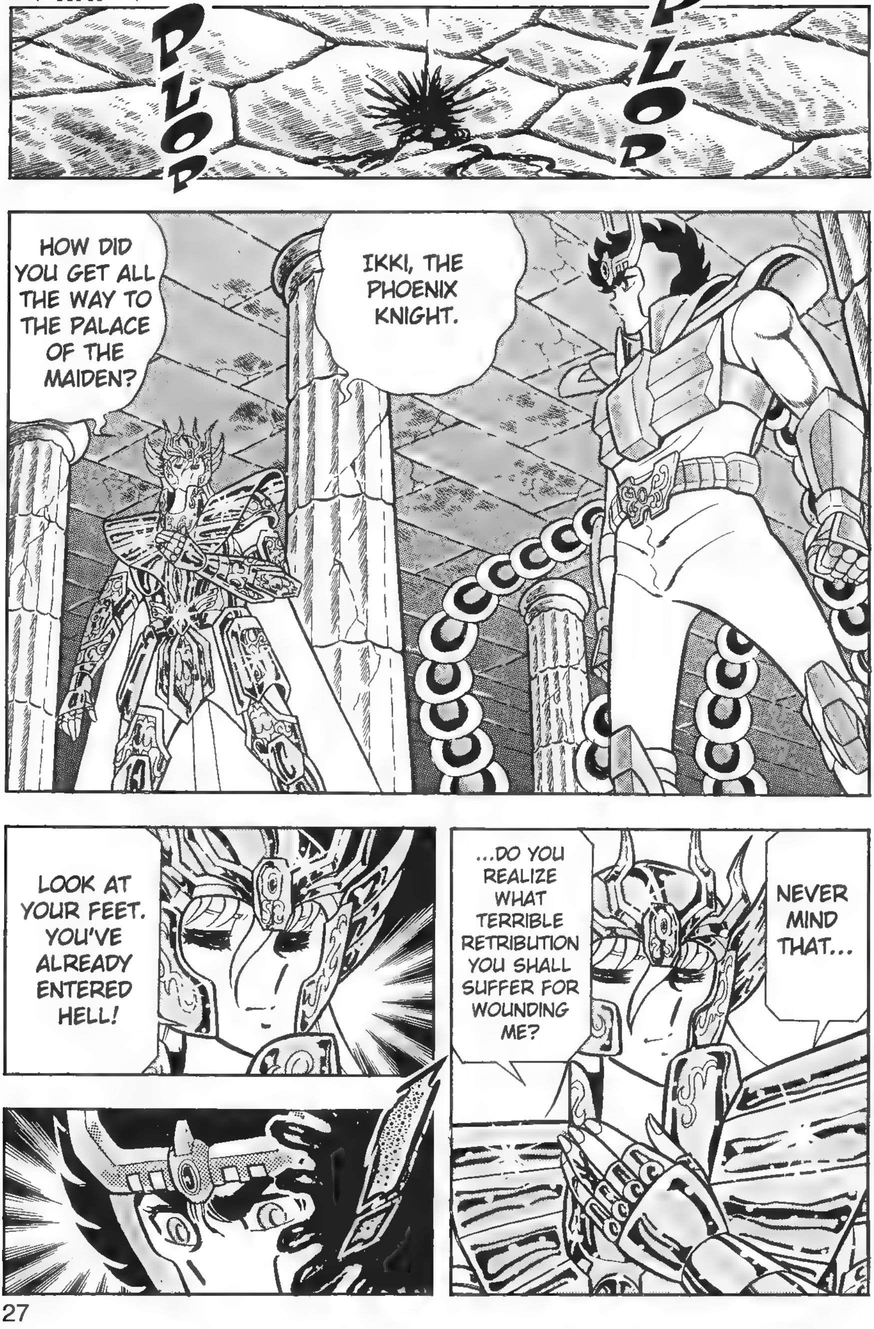
READ THIS WAY

PLIP
WHAT'S THIS? BLOOD?
WAS I SPATTERED?
NO, SOMETHING CAME FLYING THROUGH THE AIR JUST NOW...
THIS IS WHAT WOUNDED MY HAND?
IT'S... THE FEATHER OF A PHOENIX!
THAT'S RIGHT, SHAKA...
BUT BECAUSE YOU BEAT UP MY BROTHERS SO BADLY, YOU WON'T GET OFF WITH THAT SCRATCH ALONE!


RAAAAAR

PHOENIX!!

READ THIS WAY

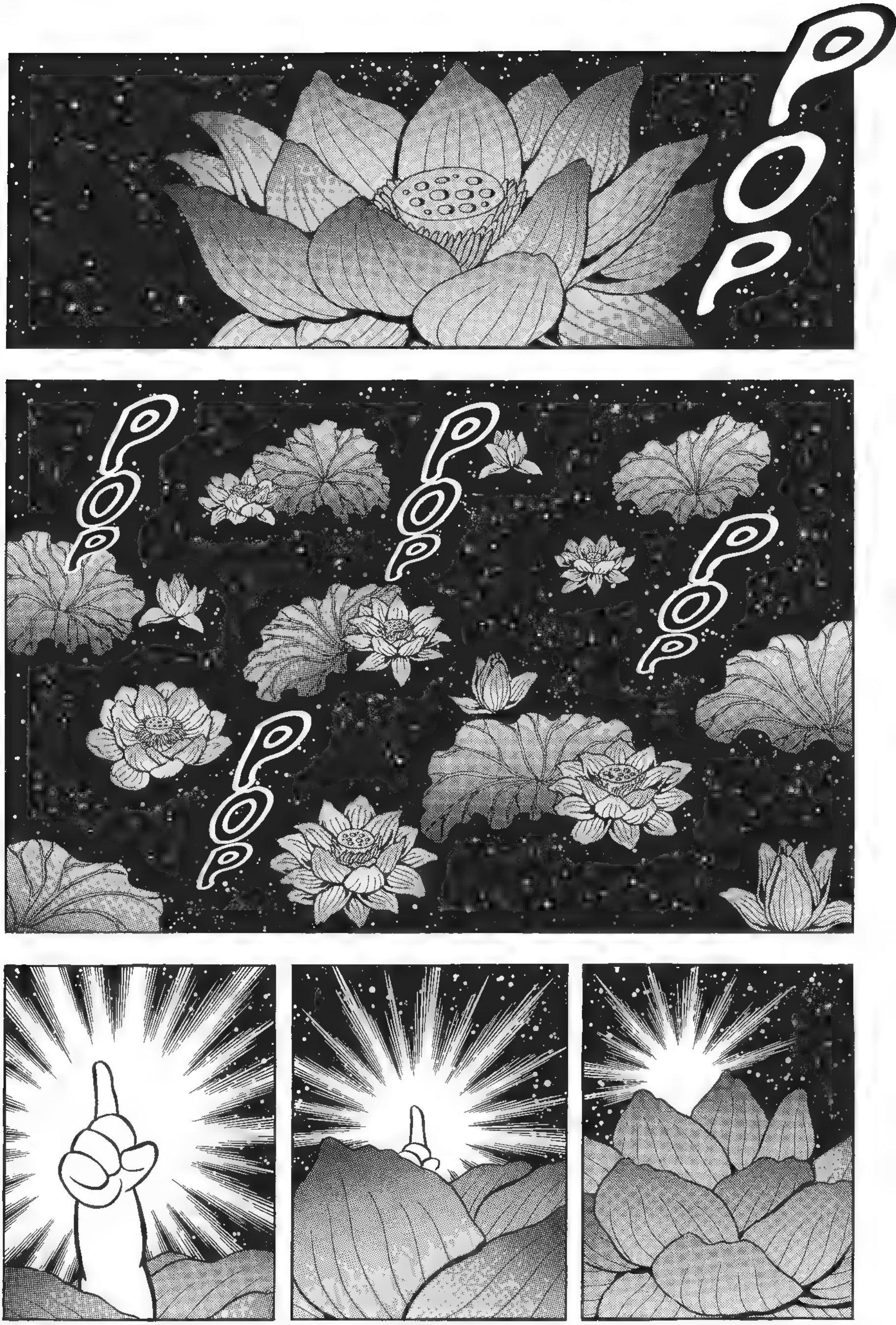


THE POND OF BLOOD HELL !!
WHAT!?
THIS IS DIVINE RETRI-BUTION.
HEH. THIS IS NO ILLUSION.
IMPOSSIBLE! HOW COULD ALL THIS BLOOD COME FROM A LITTLE SCRATCH ON SHAKA'S FINGER?
I-IS THIS AN ILLUSION!?
THERE IS ONLY ONE WAY YOU CAN BE SAVED, AND THAT IS...
WH-WHAT... ?

YES. IF YOU DO SO, YOU HAVE AN INFINITESIMAL CHANCE OF SURVIVING.
YOU WANT ME TO WORSHIP YOU AS A GOD?
...BY KNEELING AT MY FEET!
GRRAAR!
THERE'S NO USE GRUMBLING! YOUR MEAGER COSMO CAN'T GENERATE ENOUGH POWER TO FREE YOU!
PRESS YOUR FOREHEAD TO THE GREAT EARTH AND WORSHIP ME!

UN-FORTUNATELY FOR YOU, SHAKA, I DON'T BELIEVE IN GODS AND BUDDHAS.
I ONLY TRUST ONE THING IN THIS WORLD.
THE HEAT FROM IKKI'S COSMO IS DRYING UP THE BLOOD!
WHAT'S THIS?

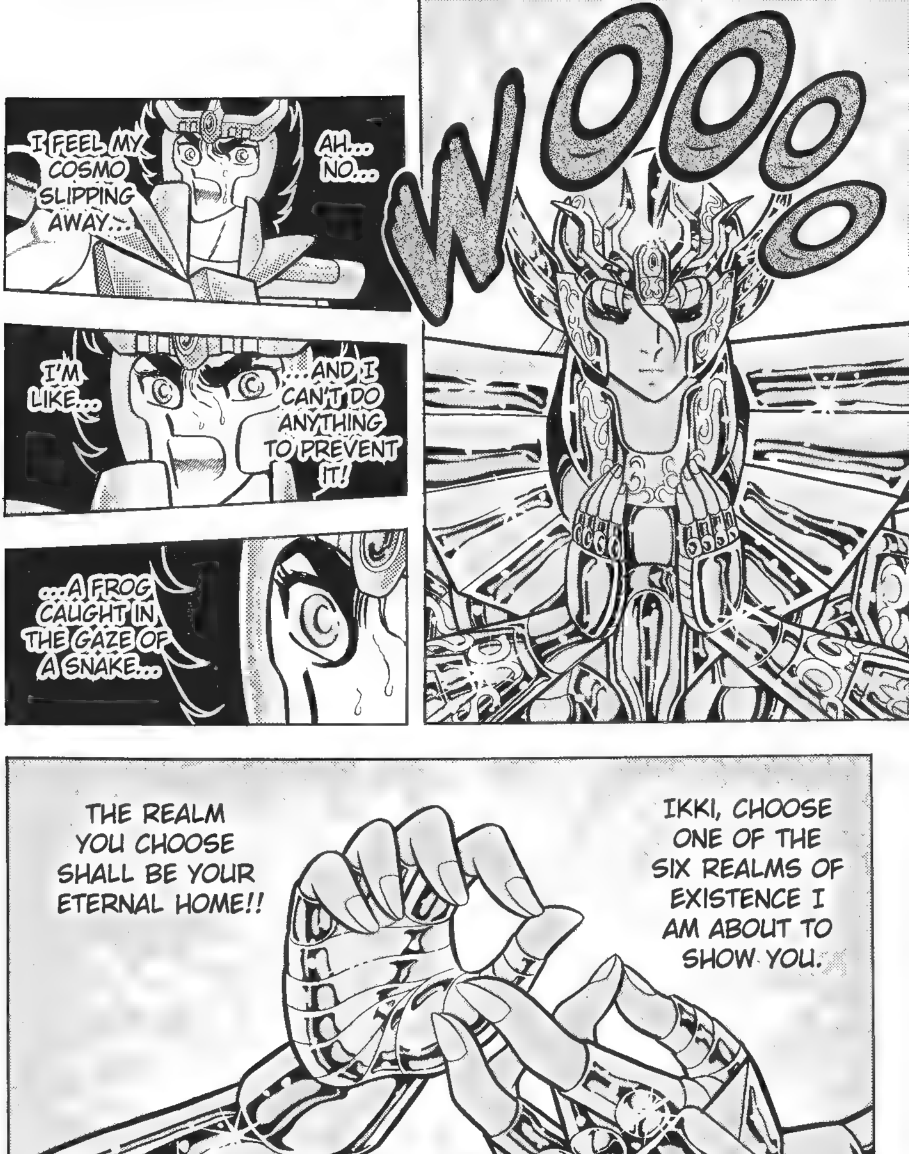
MY OWN STRENGTH !!
HEH! SO... IT SEEMS YOU'VE MATURED A LITTLE SINCE LAST WE MET.
WHAT?
WAIT!
YOU SAY WE'VE MET BEFORE ?
I ONCE SPARED YOUR LIFE, IKKI.
WH- WHAT!?
I TOLD YOU THAT DAY THAT YOU WOULD FORGET EVERYTHING ABOUT YOUR ENCOUNTER WITH ME.
BUT I ALSO TOLD YOU THAT IF EVER YOU SHOULD APPEAR BEFORE ME AS AN ENEMY, THE MEMORY WOULD RETURN, ALONG WITH YOUR FEAR...


POP
POP
POP
POP
POP

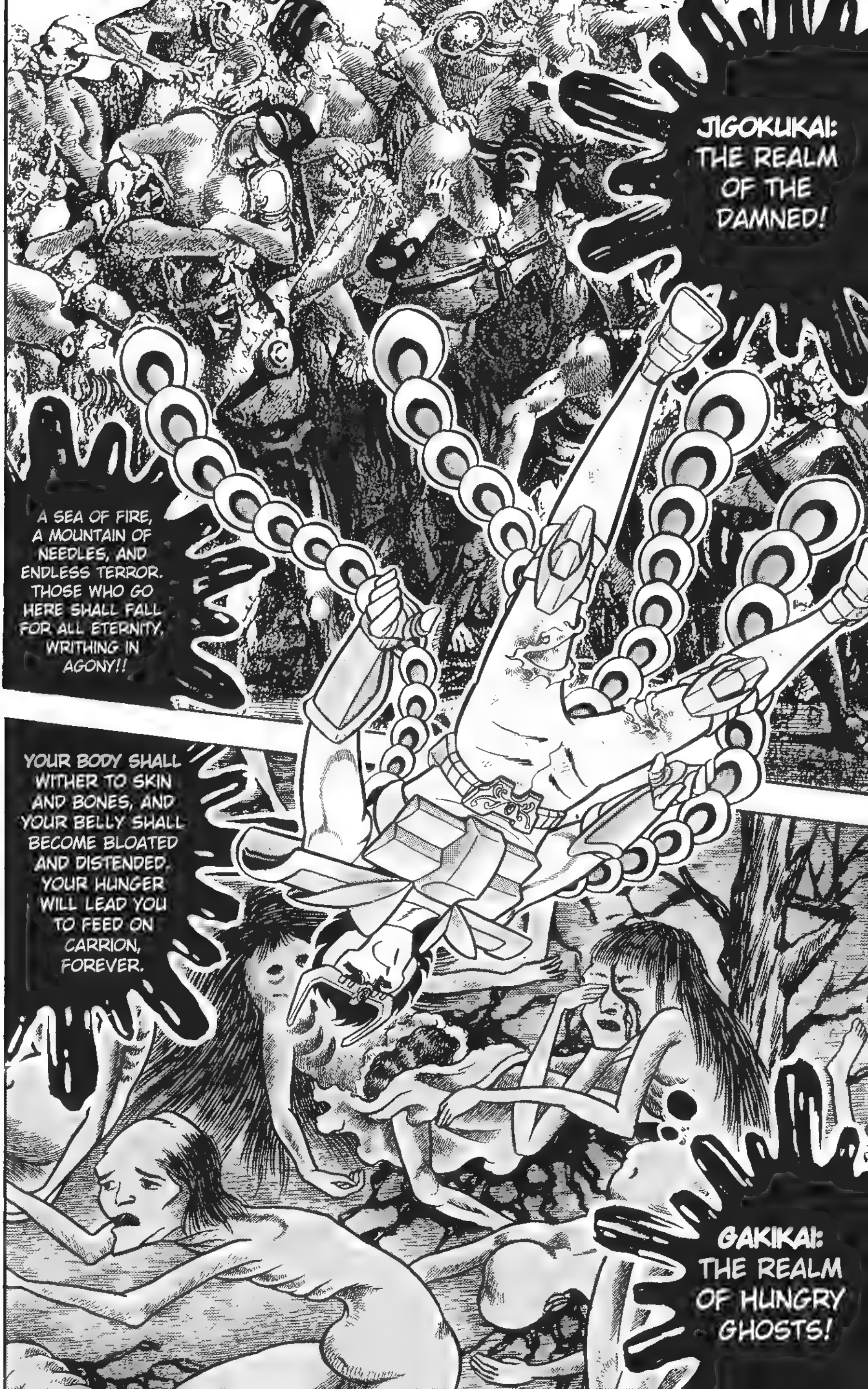
*"IN HEAVEN AND ON EARTH, I ALONE SHALL BE HONORED": THE WORDS BUDDHA IS SAID TO HAVE UTTERED AT HIS BIRTH.

SHAKA IS THE MAN FROM DEATH QUEEN ISLAND...
SHAKA!?
N-NOW I REMEMBER !!

SUCH A POWERFUL COSMO...
I'VE TRAVELED ALL THE WAY FROM THE RIVER GANGES TO VISIT HEAVENLY RETRIBUTION UPON THAT WICKED FOOL.
I AM SHAKA!!
SON-GOKU, THE MONKEY KING, THOUGHT HIMSELF INVINCIBLE AS HE SCAMPERED ABOUT THE BUDDHA'S PALM...
I WAS HELPLESS AND AT HIS MERCY! HE COULD HAVE KILLED ME!!


AH... NO...
I FEEL MY COSMO SLIPPING AWAY...
I'M LIKE...
...AND I CAN'T DO ANYTHING TO PREVENT IT!
...A FROG CAUGHT IN THE GAZE OF A SNAKE...
WOOOOO
IKKI, CHOOSE ONE OF THE SIX REALMS OF EXISTENCE I AM ABOUT TO SHOW YOU.
THE REALM YOU CHOOSE SHALL BE YOUR ETERNAL HOME!!
WH-WHAT!?

SIX PATHS OF TRANS-MIGRATION!
AAAGH!!


JIGOKUKAI: THE REALM OF THE DAMNED!
A SEA OF FIRE, A MOUNTAIN OF NEEDLES, AND ENDLESS TERROR. THOSE WHO GO HERE SHALL FALL FOR ALL ETERNITY, WRITHING IN AGONY!!
GAKIKAI: THE REALM OF HUNGRY GHOSTS!
YOUR BODY SHALL WITHER TO SKIN AND BONES, AND YOUR BELLY SHALL BECOME BLOATED AND DISTENDED. YOUR HUNGER WILL LEAD YOU TO FEED ON CARRION, FOREVER.

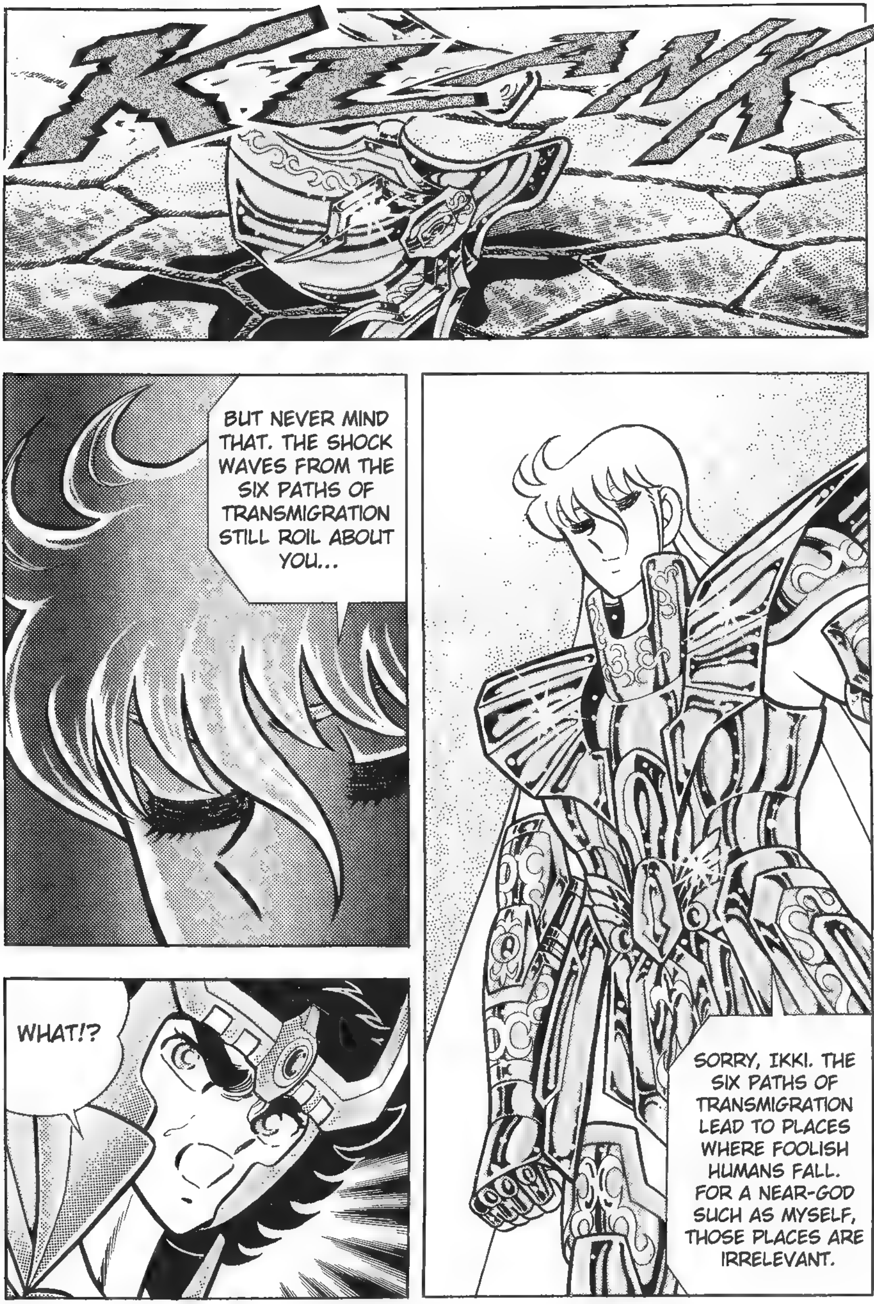
SHURAKAI: THE REALM OF THE DEMIGODS!
BLOOD AND CARNAGE! YOU WILL BE FORCED TO FIGHT WITHOUT REST FOR ETERNITY!
CHIKU-SHÔKAI: THE REALM OF BEASTS!
A WORLD IN WHICH THE STRONG EAT THE WEAK. IF YOU WANT TO KILL YOUR OPPONENT, YOU KILL HIM; IF YOU WANT TO DEVOUR HIM, YOU DEVOUR HIM. A BESTIAL WORLD.

JINKAI: THE REALM OF MEN!
AN UNSTABLE WORLD WHOSE INHABITANTS ARE SLAVES TO EMOTION, UNABLE TO DEVOTE THEMSELVES TO EITHER GOOD OR EVIL.
TENKAI: THE REALM OF HEAVEN!
IT IS CALLED PARADISE, BUT AT ANY MOMENT YOU CAN SLIP AND FALL INTO CHIKUSHŌKAI, GAKIKAI, OR JIGOKUKAI. THIS IS THE MOST PERILOUS OF REALMS.

SSSSSS
HIS BREATHING HAS STOPPED, EH?
WHERE DID YOU FALL TO, IKKI?
I SUSPECT THAT YOU DESCENDED TO EITHER JIGOKUKAI OR THE REALM OF THE WARRING DEMIGODS.

WHOOM

NOW, IT'S YOUR TURN! WITH THE BLOW I JUST THREW, YOU'VE BEEN SNARED BY MY PHANTOM DEMON PUNCH.
CHOOSE THE REALM OF DEATH YOU PREFER, SHAKA!
IMPOSSIBLE!
WHAT!?
TA-TUMP
COULD THIS MAN TRULY BE IMMORTAL, LIKE THE PHOENIX?
HE WAS STRUCK BY THE SIX PATHS OF TRANS-MIGRATION AND YET HE LIVES!
UNFORTUNATELY FOR YOU, BOTH THE DEMONS OF HELL AND THE WARRING DEMI-GODS CON-SIDERED ME TOO DIFFICULT TO HANDLE. THEY'VE REJECTED ME!


BUT NEVER MIND THAT. THE SHOCK WAVES FROM THE SIX PATHS OF TRANSMIGRATION STILL ROIL ABOUT YOU...
WHAT!?
SORRY, IKKI. THE SIX PATHS OF TRANSMIGRATION LEAD TO PLACES WHERE FOOLISH HUMANS FALL. FOR A NEAR-GOD SUCH AS MYSELF, THOSE PLACES ARE IRRELEVANT.

THIS IS THE DRY RIVERBED OF SAI, THE RIVER THAT RUNS BETWEEN THE WORLD OF THE LIVING AND THE UNDERWORLD. THERE, LOST CHILDREN WANDER FOREVER, CRYING FOR THEIR PARENTS, AND PILE UP STONES IN GRIEF.
ISN'T THAT YOU I SEE APPROACHING IN THE DISTANCE?
WHAT!? THAT'S ...

WHERE ARE WE!?

I-IT IS ME!!
IT'S ME AS A CHILD!!

...IS SHUN!!
AND THAT BABY I'M CARRYING...
UNH... MY ARMS ARE BEING PULLED OUT OF THEIR SOCKETS!
SO HEAVY! HE FEELS LIKE A BOULDER!
UNH...
WH-WHAT A HARD ROAD THIS IS TO WALK...
WHAT'S GOING ON?
SHUN IS GETTING HEAVIER AND HEAVIER!

ABANDON HIM AND BE SAVED, IKKI!
IF YOU KEEP CARRYING YOUR LITTLE BROTHER, YOU'LL BOTH BE DOOMED!
THE PAIN WILL BE GONE THEN!
IF HE'S HEAVY, PUT HIM DOWN!
HUH?
I'M GOING TO GRIT MY TEETH, HOLD ONTO SHUN, AND KEEP WALKING!
N-NO, I WON'T DO IT! IF I CAN JUST REACH THOSE LIGHTS, WE'LL BE SAFE!
WITHOUT YOUR BROTHER TO DRAG YOU DOWN, YOU COULD ESCAPE...
DO IT!
UNH...
AAGH!!

HUH?
HEH. HOW DOES IT FEEL TO ENCOUNTER YOURSELF AS A CHILD?
INCREDIBLE! I THREW THE PHANTOM DEMON PUNCH, BUT I'M THE ONE CAUGHT IN THE ILLUSION! DID HE SOMEHOW HURL ITS POWER BACK AT ME?
DO YOU SEE NOW, IKKI? NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU FIGHT, THE ONLY THING YOU'RE HEADED FOR IS DEFEAT!
YOU WILL NEVER REACH THE PLACE OF LIGHTS.
A CLOTH IS NO LONGER NECESSARY FOR YOU!
I SHALL TURN IT TO ASHES!

WHAT!?
NO! THAT CLOTH IS THE STRONGEST OF ALL THE 88 CONSTELLATIONS! IT CAN'T BE DESTROYED...
HOW COULD THE PHOENIX CLOTH BE TURNED TO ASHES!?

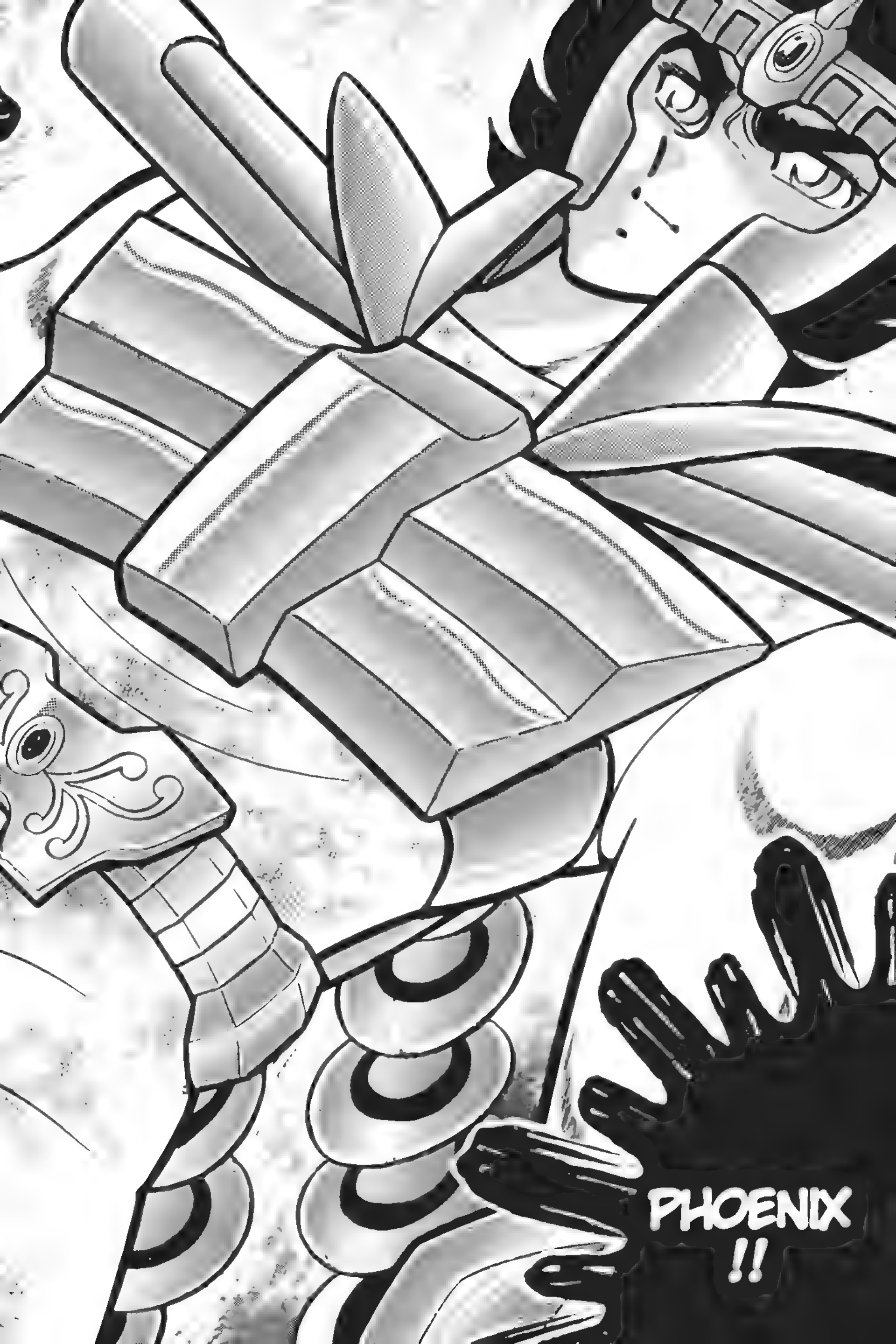
NOW I SHALL RELIEVE YOU OF ALL YOUR BURDENS, IKKI!
SIX PATHS OF TRANS-MIGRATION !!
UGH!

I'VE GOT TO GET FAR AWAY!!
FAR AWAY!
I'VE GOT TO GET FAR ENOUGH AWAY THAT SHAKA'S COSMO CAN'T REACH ME...
I'VE GOT TO PUT ENOUGH DISTANCE BETWEEN US SO THAT I CAN DODGE HIS BUDDHIST CHANTS...
A BILLION DEGREES... NO, IF I LEAP A QUADRILLION DEGREES, THAT SHOULD BE ADEQUATE...
無量大数
恒河沙
阿僧祇
那由他
不可思議

I'M STANDING ON BUDDHA'S OUTSTRETCHED PALM!!
THAT WAS PRETTY FAR! I SHOULD BE SAFE HERE...
TMP
WHAT !?
WHAT'S HAPPENING !?

HEH. I ONCE SAID THAT YOU WERE LIKE A MONKEY ON THE BUDDHA'S PALM.
THOUGH YOU THOUGHT YOU HAD ESCAPED TO THE NAYUTA, THE 1,060th DEGREE, YOU ONLY CAME A SHORT DISTANCE.
I SEE. IF IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO EVADE YOU, THEN, I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO ATTACK YOU.
WHAT ?
SHAKA, NO MATTER HOW LONG IT TAKES, I'LL ATTACK UNTIL I TAKE YOU DOWN, LIKE THE CHILDREN ETERNALLY STACKING STONES ON THE DRY RIVERBED OF SAI...
FOOL! WITHOUT YOUR CLOTH, IT WOULD BE SURE DEATH FOR YOU TO ATTACK ME. BEHOLD, THE FLAMES OF HELL HAVE ALREADY SURROUNDED YOU!

BOOM
WHAT!?
WHAT IS THIS!?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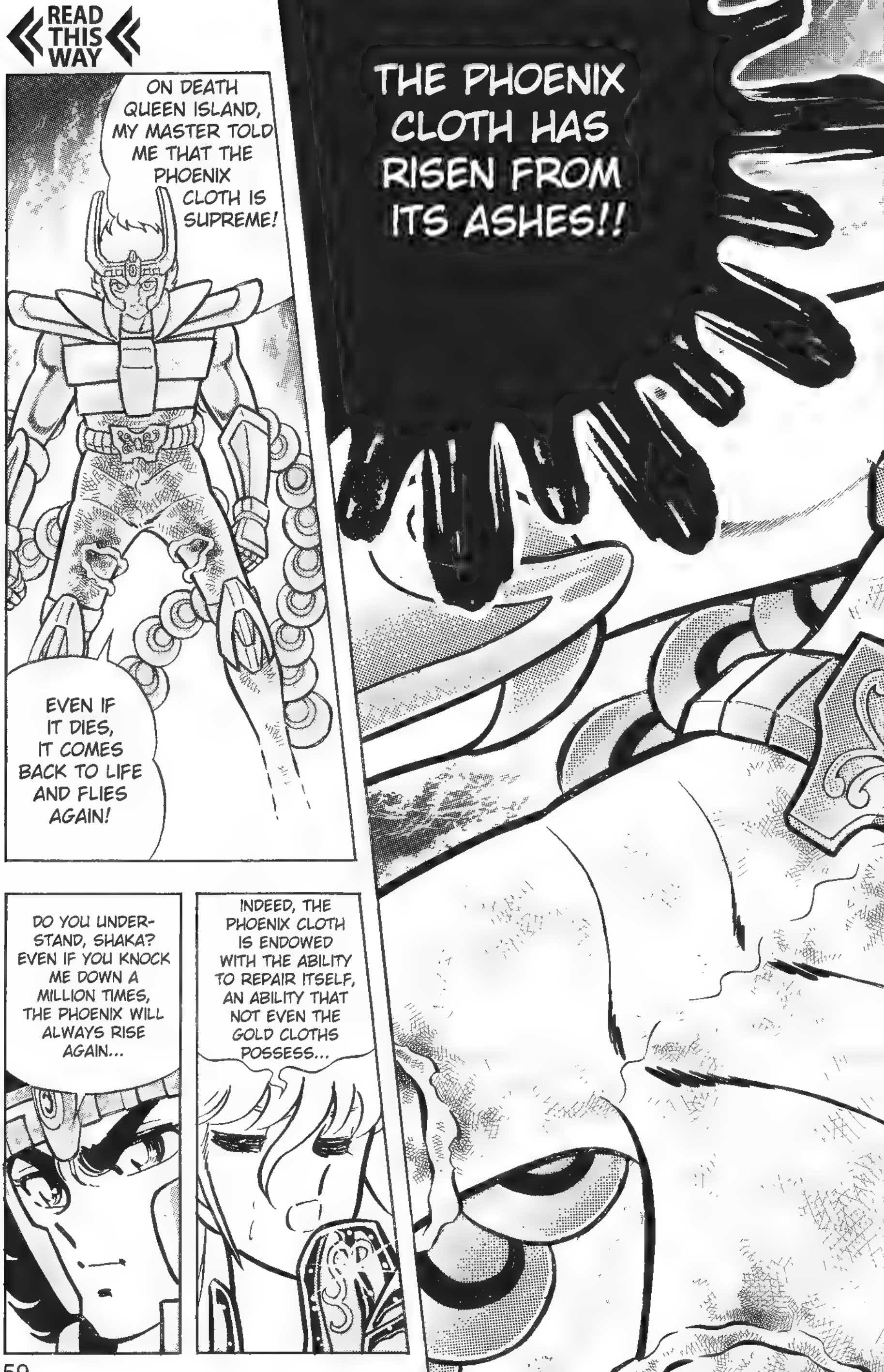

THE PHOENIX CLOTH HAS RISEN FROM ITS ASHES!!
ON DEATH QUEEN ISLAND, MY MASTER TOLD ME THAT THE PHOENIX CLOTH IS SUPREME!
EVEN IF IT DIES, IT COMES BACK TO LIFE AND FLIES AGAIN!
INDEED, THE PHOENIX CLOTH IS ENDOWED WITH THE ABILITY TO REPAIR ITSELF, AN ABILITY THAT NOT EVEN THE GOLD CLOTHS POSSESS...
DO YOU UNDERSTAND, SHAKA? EVEN IF YOU KNOCK ME DOWN A MILLION TIMES, THE PHOENIX WILL ALWAYS RISE AGAIN...

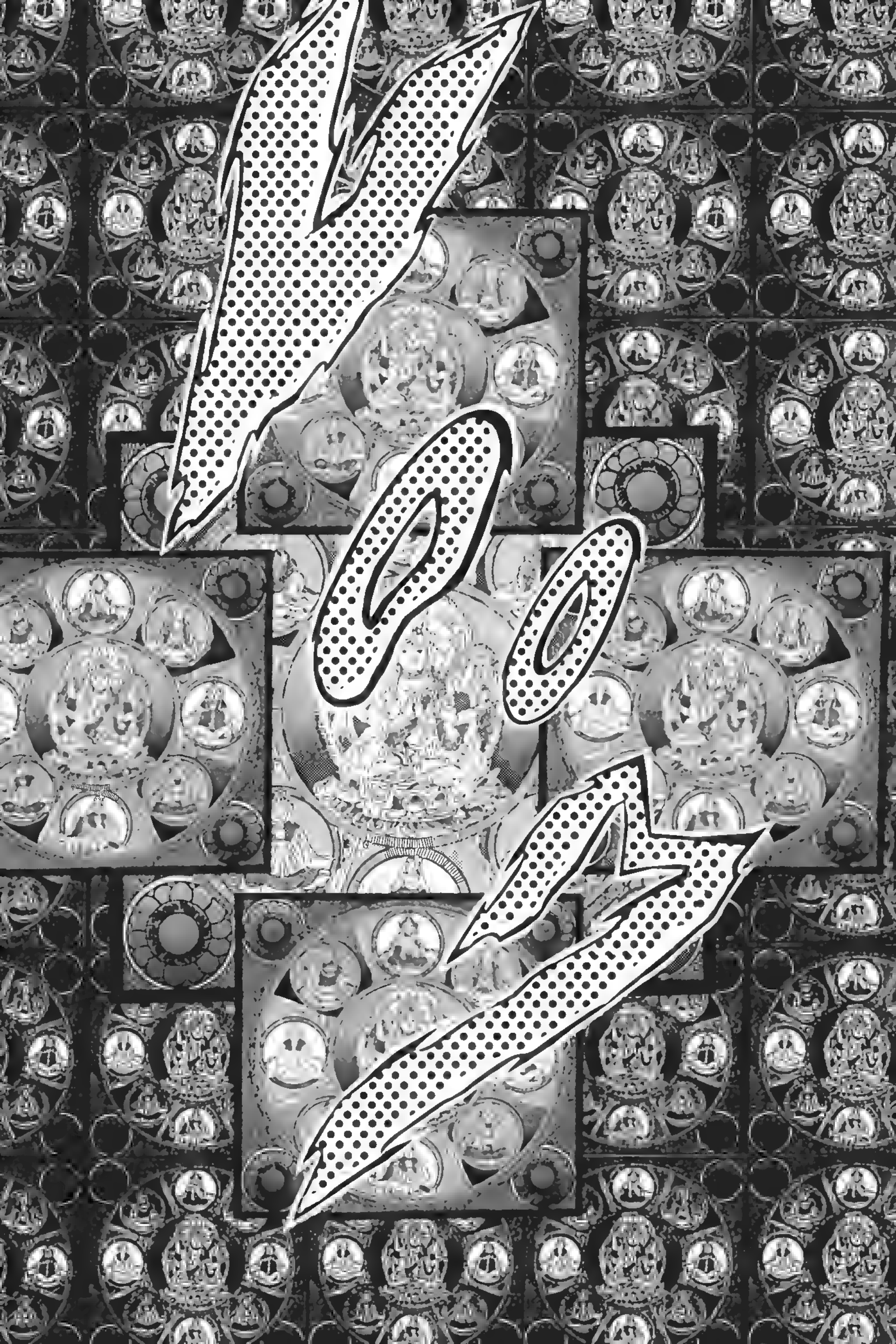
IN THE END, I WILL TAKE YOU DOWN!!

WITH THE
FLYING
PHOENIX!!

KLAAK!
HEH. YOU SHOULD KNOW FROM OUR ENCOUNTER ON DEATH QUEEN ISLAND THAT YOUR FLYING PHOENIX IS BUT A GENTLE BREEZE TO ME!
VERY WELL. YOU'VE JUST TAKEN THAT BREATH!!
HOWEVER LONG IT TAKES, SHAKA, I'LL KEEP AT YOU UNTIL YOU COLLAPSE!
OR UNTIL I BREATHE MY LAST BREATH!

READ THIS WAY

IT WAS A MISTAKE TO DROP A MAN LIKE YOU INTO THE SIX PATHS OF TRANS-MIGRATION ALIVE AND WHOLE.
IKKI, YOU HAVE SEEN THE PITS OF HELL.
OOOOOW
FIRST I WILL BREAK YOUR BODY AND SOUL.
THEN YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO COME BACK TO LIFE.
WH-WHAT!?
WHAT'S THAT!?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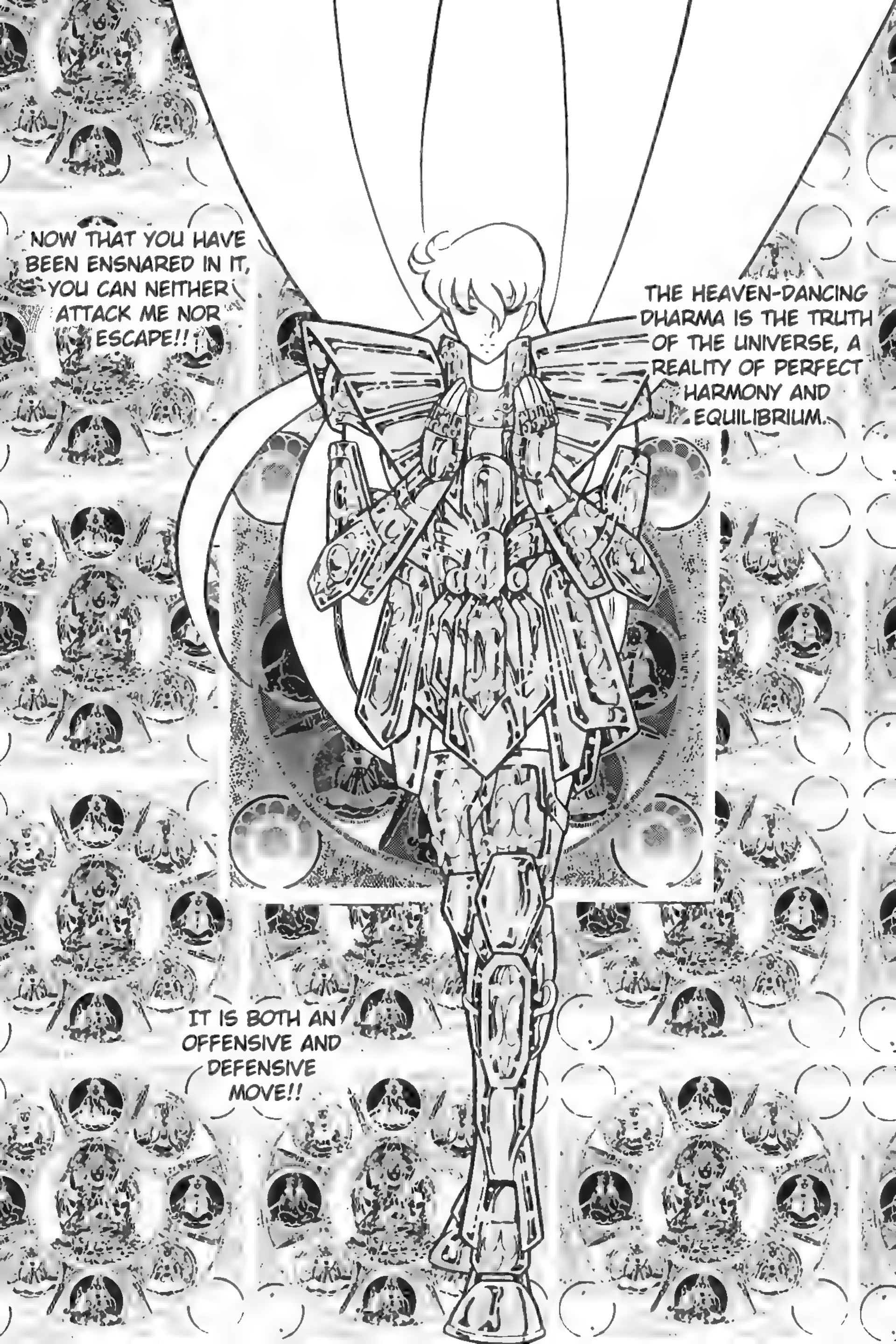
HEAVEN-DANCING DHARMA !!

NOW YOU SHALL SEE MY ULTIMATE SECRET MOVE!!


THE HEAVEN-DANCING DHARMA IS THE TRUTH OF THE UNIVERSE, A REALITY OF PERFECT HARMONY AND EQUILIBRIUM.
NOW THAT YOU HAVE BEEN ENSNARED IN IT, YOU CAN NEITHER ATTACK ME NOR ESCAPE!!
IT IS BOTH AN OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE MOVE!!

NOW, IKKI, THE HEAVEN-DANCING DHARMA SHALL SEVER YOUR SENSES!!
UNH... SHAKA'S ...
SHAKA'S EYES HAVE OPENED!!
VEEN

NO!
KREESH
KRAK
WH-WHAT? WH-WHAT'S HAPPEING?
MY HANDS... MY ARMS... MY LEGS...
KRAK
KRAK
MY WHOLE BODY'S GOING NUMB...
I'M PARALYZED! I CAN'T MOVE!!
WH-WHAT?
YOU CAN NO LONGER MOVE, MUCH LESS THROW A PUNCH!
YOU CAN'T FEEL YOUR BODY -- YOUR SENSE OF TOUCH IS GONE!

VWOOM
NEXT, YOUR SENSE OF SMELL!
ZAK
AGH!
HA HA! HAVING TROUBLE BREATHING? NOW YOU CAN NO LONGER DETECT YOUR ENEMY BY HIS SCENT!
UNH...
WHAT SHALL I DESTROY NEXT?

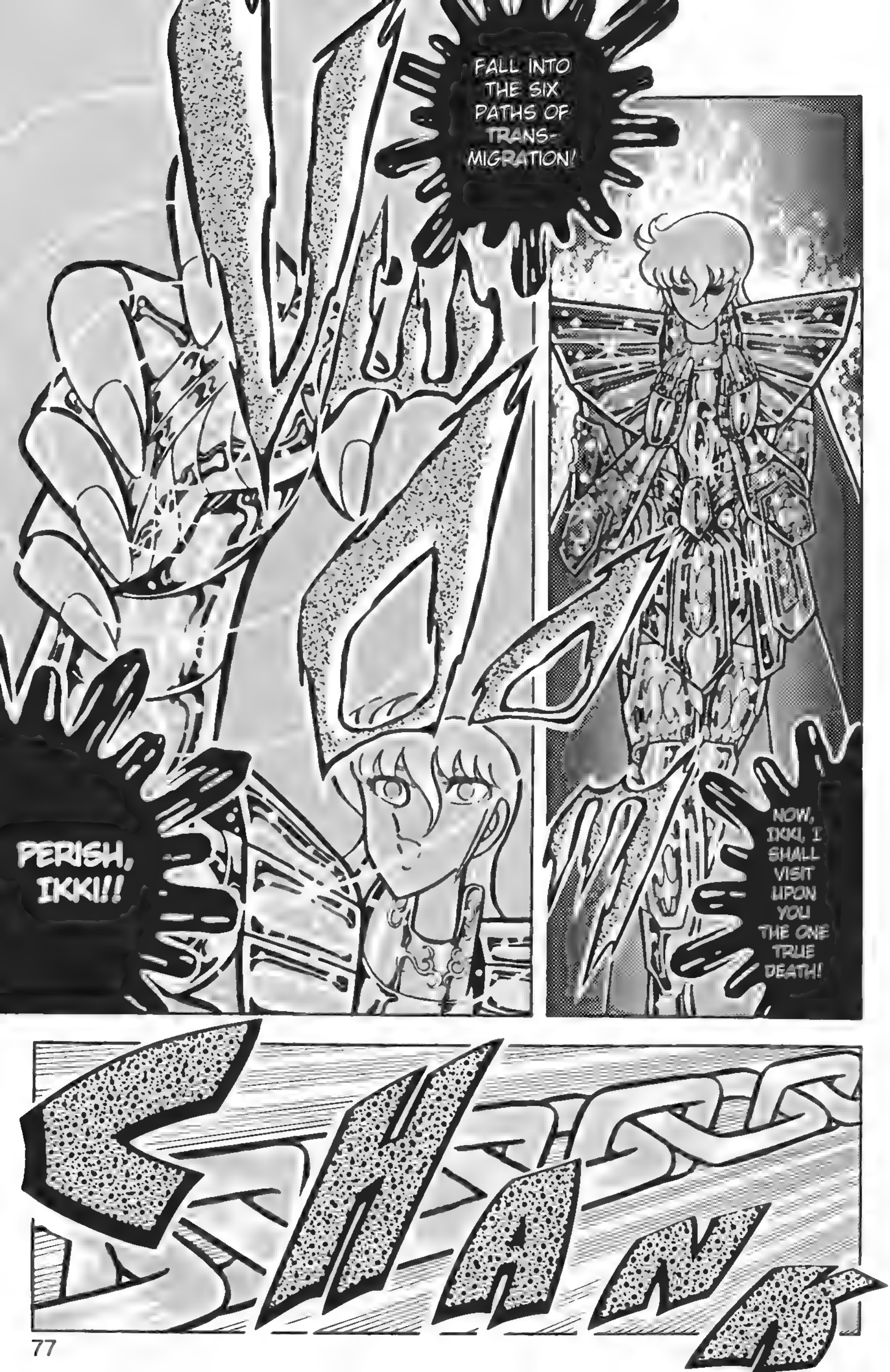
W-WAIT!
HUFF
WHAT? YOU CAME HERE TO FIGHT, AND NOW YOU'RE BEGGING FOR YOUR LIFE?
HUFF
WHY DO YOU SERVE THE MASTER?
SHAKA, YOU POSSESS SUCH IMMENSE POWER...
HUFF
A MAN OF SUCH GODLIKE POWERS MUST BE ABLE TO SEE THE MASTER'S TRUE NATURE...
OR DO YOU SERVE THE MASTER KNOWING THAT HE'S EVIL?
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
WHY DON'T YOU ANSWER, SHAKA? ARE YOU ALSO A SERVANT OF EVIL WHO HAS NO RIGHT TO WEAR A GOLD CLOTH?
YOU'VE HELPED ME SELECT MY NEXT TARGET.

AAH!
NOW I'LL TAKE YOUR SENSE OF TASTE!
WHICH WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO DESTROY NEXT? HEH...
THE ONLY SENSES YOU HAVE LEFT ARE SIGHT AND HEARING.
UNH... UNH...
YOU CAN'T SPEAK, EH?
I HAVE PARALYZED YOUR TONGUE!
THOSE EYES, EH? EVEN NOW, THE FIRE OF BATTLE BLAZES IN THEM...
UNH...

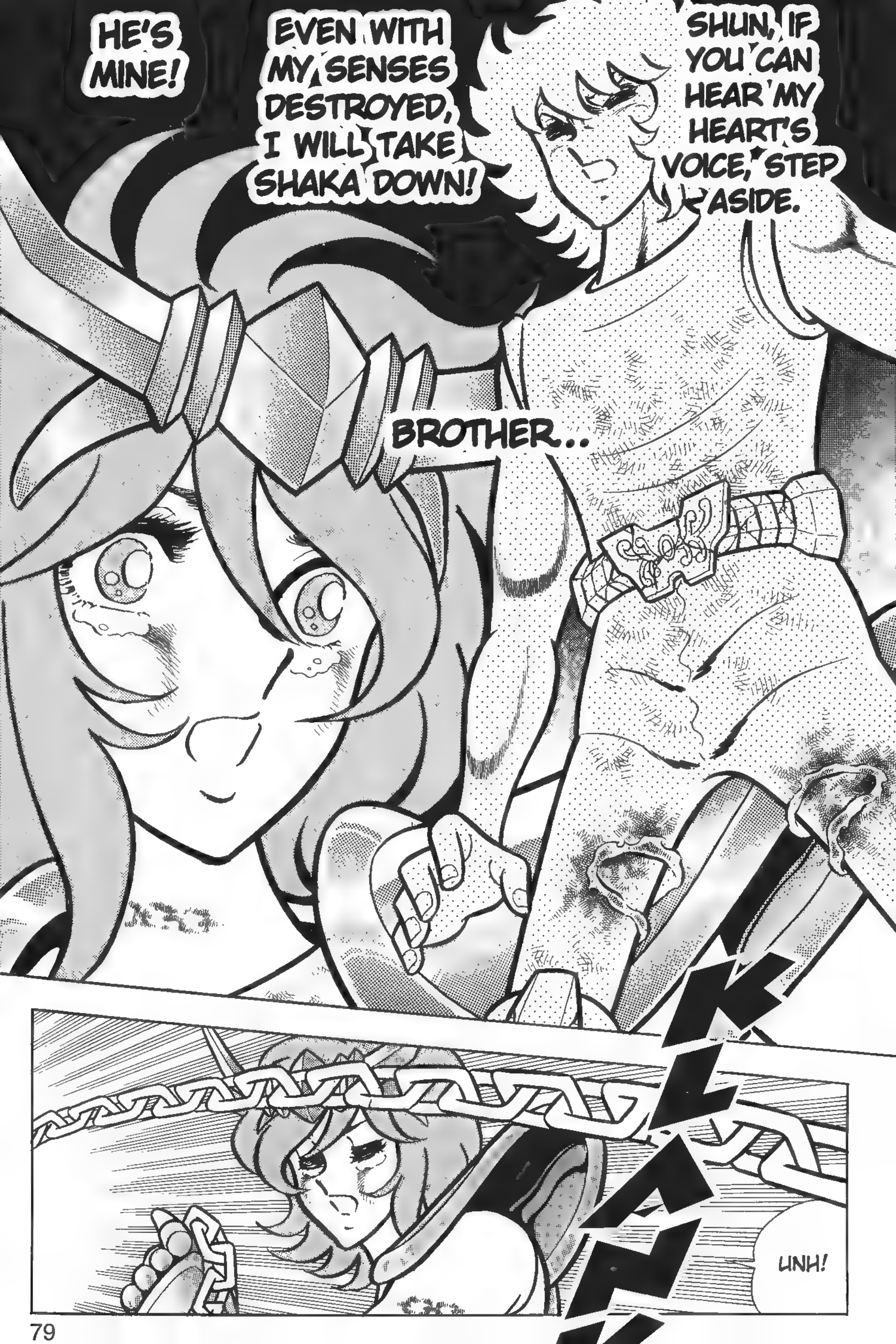
SWASH
NOW, WHILE YOUR EARS CAN STILL HEAR, LET ME TELL YOU ONE LAST THING.
I AM STILL A GOLD KNIGHT OF ATHENA.
I FIGHT ONLY FOR JUSTICE, NEVER FOR EVIL!
BUT ALL THINGS IN THIS UNIVERSE FLOW INTO EACH OTHER.
NEITHER ABSOLUTE EVIL NOR ABSOLUTE GOOD EXISTS.

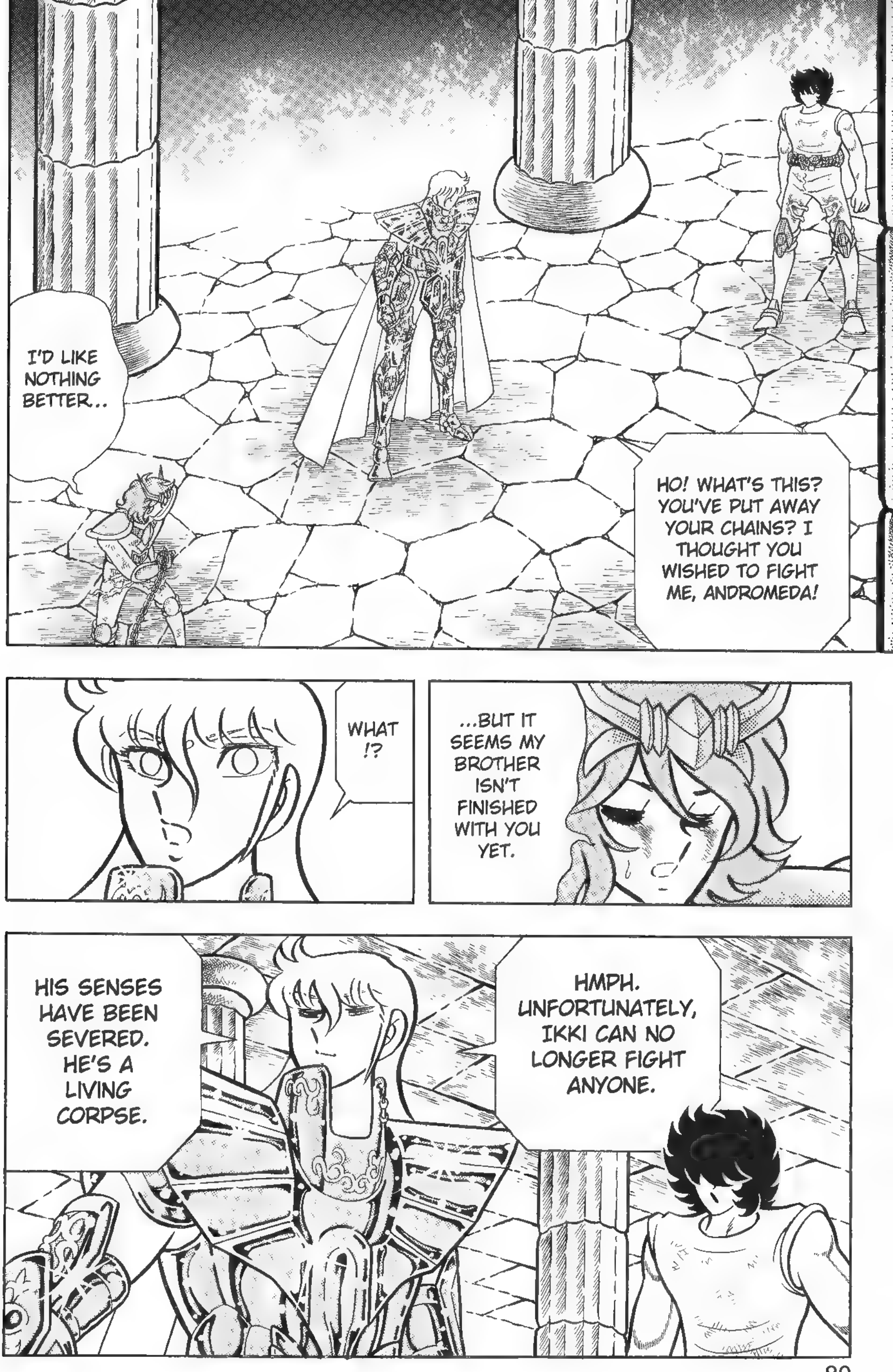
AND THE MASTER WHOM I HAVE SEEN IS JUST!!
BACK ON DEATH QUEEN ISLAND, I SAW THAT YOU WERE NOT WHOLLY EVIL AND SPARED YOUR LIFE.
I HAVE THE POWER TO DISCERN WHETHER SOMEONE'S ESSENCE IS GOOD OR EVIL. NO MATTER WHO THEY ARE.
SO, IN REPLY TO YOUR EARLIER QUESTION, I WILL NOT DEFY THE MASTER.
WHAT? IMPOS-SIBLE...
UNH...
I SHALL NOW DESTROY YOUR HEARING!
WHUP
NOW, IKKI, ONLY ONE OF YOUR SENSES REMAINS.

IKKI, YOUR SENSES ARE SEVERED. YOU EXIST IN A DARK VOID...
YOU CAN DETECT NOTHING OF THE WORLD AROUND YOU.
YOU ARE NO MORE THAN A LIVING CORPSE.


FALL INTO THE SIX PATHS OF TRANS-MIGRATION!
NOW, IKKI, I SHALL VISIT UPON YOU THE ONE TRUE DEATH!
PERISH, IKKI!!
SHAN

I WON'T LET MY BIG BROTHER DIE LIKE A DOG!
SO, YOU'VE COME TO, EH?
HEH! WHAT HOPE HAVE YOU AGAINST ME?
NOW YOU'LL HAVE TO FACE ME, SHAKA!
IKKI!!
WHAT?
HE CAN STILL...
KLANK
...


SHUN, IF YOU CAN HEAR MY HEART'S VOICE, STEP ASIDE.
EVEN WITH MY SENSES DESTROYED, I WILL TAKE SHAKA DOWN!
HE'S MINE!
BROTHER...
UNH!


HO! WHAT'S THIS? YOU'VE PUT AWAY YOUR CHAINS? I THOUGHT YOU WISHED TO FIGHT ME, ANDROMEDA!
I'D LIKE NOTHING BETTER...
...BUT IT SEEMS MY BROTHER ISN'T FINISHED WITH YOU YET.
WHAT !?
HMPH. UNFORTUNATELY, IKKI CAN NO LONGER FIGHT ANYONE.
HIS SENSES HAVE BEEN SEVERED. HE'S A LIVING CORPSE.

READ THIS WAY
EVEN SO, HE'LL NEVER ACCEPT DEFEAT!
AND I BELIEVE HE WILL BEAT YOU!
HEH... IS THIS SOME FARCICAL DEMON-STRATION OF BROTHERLY LOVE?
VERY WELL! STAND THERE AND WATCH, IF YOU WISH!
I SHALL NOW DELIVER THE FINAL BLOW TO IKKI. PRAY FOR YOUR BROTHER, SHUN!
THIS IS THE END, IKKI!!

ZAAAK
ZAAAK
ZAAAK
ZAAAK
ZAAAK
WHAT? SOME BARRIER IS BLOCKING MY ATTACK!
RIDICULOUS! HOW COULD IKKI, WHO IS HELPLESS, PERFORM SUCH A MANEUVER?

READ THIS WAY
I SEE... BECAUSE YOU USE THE PHANTOM DEMON PUNCH, YOU'VE BECOME SKILLED AT ATTACKING THE PSYCHE AS WELL AS THE FLESH, EH?
THOUGH YOUR SENSES ARE GONE, YOUR MIND IS UN-INJURED. SO THIS IS YOUR LAST VAIN ACT OF RESISTANCE, A PSYCHIC ATTACK! HEH...
VERY WELL. THEN I SHALL DESTROY...
...THE LAST WEAPON LEFT TO YOU: YOUR SIXTH SENSE!!
HEAVEN-DANCING DHARMA !!

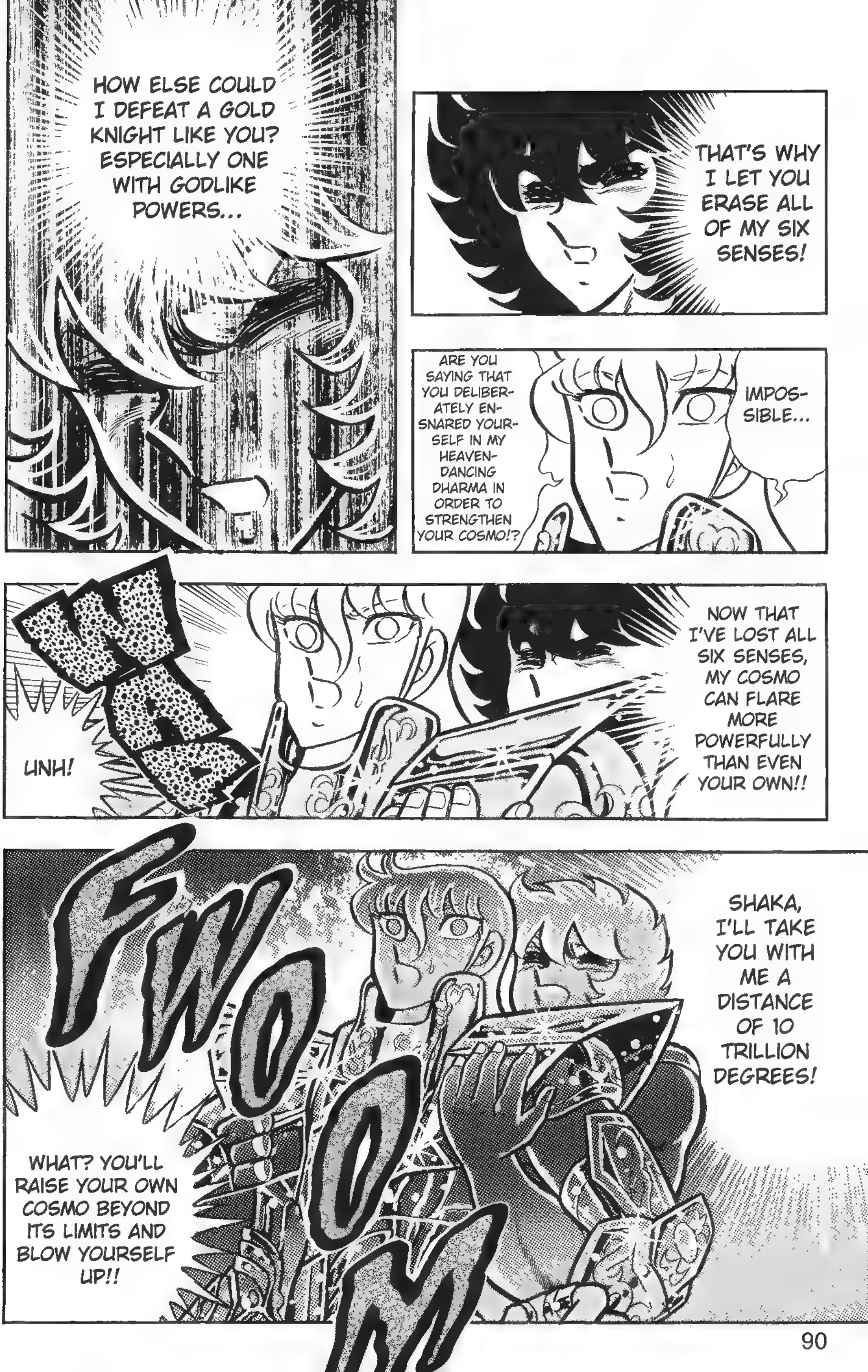
READ THIS WAY

KRASH
IKKI!!
HUSH, ANDROMEDA. WITH HIS SIXTH SENSE DESTROYED, YOUR BROTHER HAS NO AWARENESS LEFT.
ONLY HIS HEART STILL BEATS. HE HAS BROUGHT THIS UPON HIMSELF.
TO STOP HIS HEART AND CAST HIM INTO THE SIX PATHS OF TRANS-MIGRATION IS THE GREATEST MERCY I CAN SHOW HIM.
UGH!
I-I GUESS I'LL...
KLANK

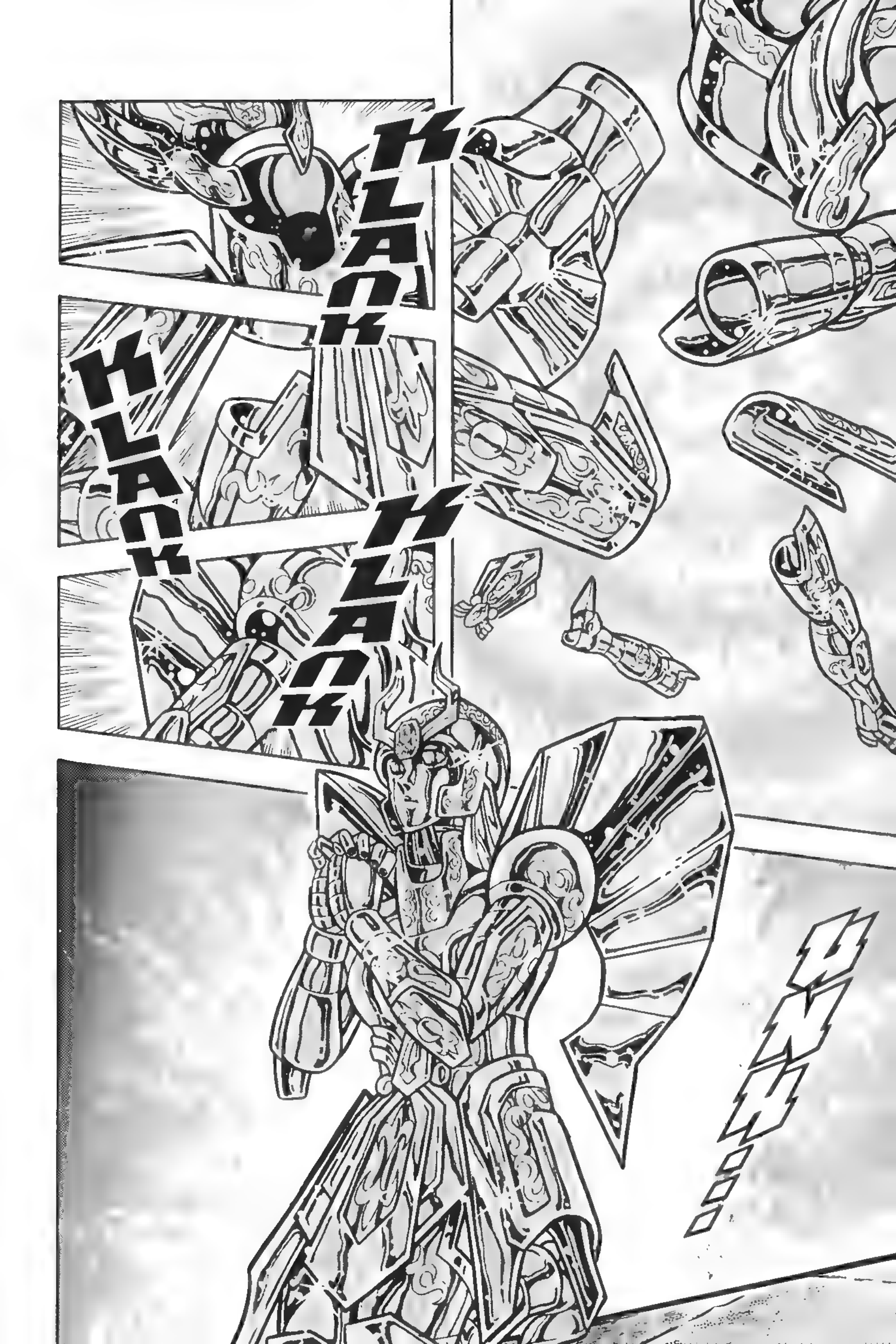
READ THIS WAY
WAIT!!
WHAT !?
HUH!?
I TOLD YOU, SHUN, I WOULD TAKE SHAKA DOWN...
I CAN STILL HEAR...
...THE VOICE OF MY BROTHER'S HEART!
BUT HOW? WHAT COULD REMAIN OF IKKI WHEN ALL OF HIS HUMAN SENSES--EVEN HIS SIXTH SENSE-- HAVE BEEN DESTROYED?
IS IT THAT WHICH SUR-PASSES ALL THE OTHER SENSES?

THE SEVENTH SENSE !!
THOOOM
THE ESSENCE OF THE COSMO !!
IMPOSSIBLE! IKKI'S COSMO IS EXPANDING!
HOW CAN IT OVERTAKE EVEN MY GODLIKE COSMO? HOW?

BWOOOM
SHAKA, YOU YOURSELF GAVE ME THE IDEA!
WHAT!?
I REALIZED THAT YOU KEEP YOUR EYES CLOSED, THOUGH YOU'RE NOT BLIND, IN ORDER TO EXPAND YOUR COSMO!!
YOU RAISED THE POWER OF YOUR COSMO BY VOLUNTARILY CUTTING OFF ONE OF YOUR SIX SENSES.
WHEN YOU OPEN YOUR EYES, THE ACCUMULATED POWER BURSTS FORTH, ALLOWING YOU TO PERFORM THE HEAVEN-DANCING DHARMA!


HOW ELSE COULD I DEFEAT A GOLD KNIGHT LIKE YOU? ESPECIALLY ONE WITH GODLIKE POWERS...
THAT'S WHY I LET YOU ERASE ALL OF MY SIX SENSES!
IMPOSSIBLE...
ARE YOU SAYING THAT YOU DELIBERATELY ENSNARED YOURSELF IN MY HEAVEN-DANCING DHARMA IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN YOUR COSMO!?
NOW THAT I'VE LOST ALL SIX SENSES, MY COSMO CAN FLARE MORE POWERFULLY THAN EVEN YOUR OWN!!
WA
UNH!
SHAKA, I'LL TAKE YOU WITH ME A DISTANCE OF 10 TRILLION DEGREES!
FWOOOM
WHAT? YOU'LL RAISE YOUR OWN COSMO BEYOND ITS LIMITS AND BLOW YOURSELF UP!!

FAREWELL, SHUN! FIGHT LIKE A MAN TO THE END WITH SEIYA AND THE OTHERS!
BIG BROTHER !!
POW
STOP! WE'LL BOTH BE PULVERIZED!
YOU FOOL! THROWING AWAY YOUR OWN LIFE TO DEFEAT AN OPPONENT--WHAT VALUE IS THERE IN SUCH A VICTORY?


KLANK
KLANK
KLANK
UNH...

MY DEAR SHUN, IF IT'S TRUE THAT PEOPLE ARE REBORN, WE'LL BE REBORN AS BROTHERS...
I SWEAR IT, SHUN...
BIG BROTHER...

THE SECRET OF THE
LIBRA CLOTH

IT'S THE 7TH PALACE, THE PALACE OF THE SCALES!!
IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, THIS IS THE PALACE OF THE LIBRA KNIGHT!
THAT'S MASTER RÔSHI! THAT MEANS NO ONE WILL BE HERE!
WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO PASS RIGHT THROUGH.
YOU'RE PROBABLY RIGHT, BUT ...
UNH!
WHAT?
WHOA! IT'S--

HYÔGA !!
HYÔGA'S DEAD!!

READ THIS WAY

AQUARIUS CAMUS!!
AQUARIUS CAMUS?
NO WAY-- AQUARIUS GUARDS THE 11TH PALACE. ARE YOU SAYING HE CAME HERE...
...JUST TO KILL HIS OWN STUDENT?
WAIT...
WHAT ?
OH!

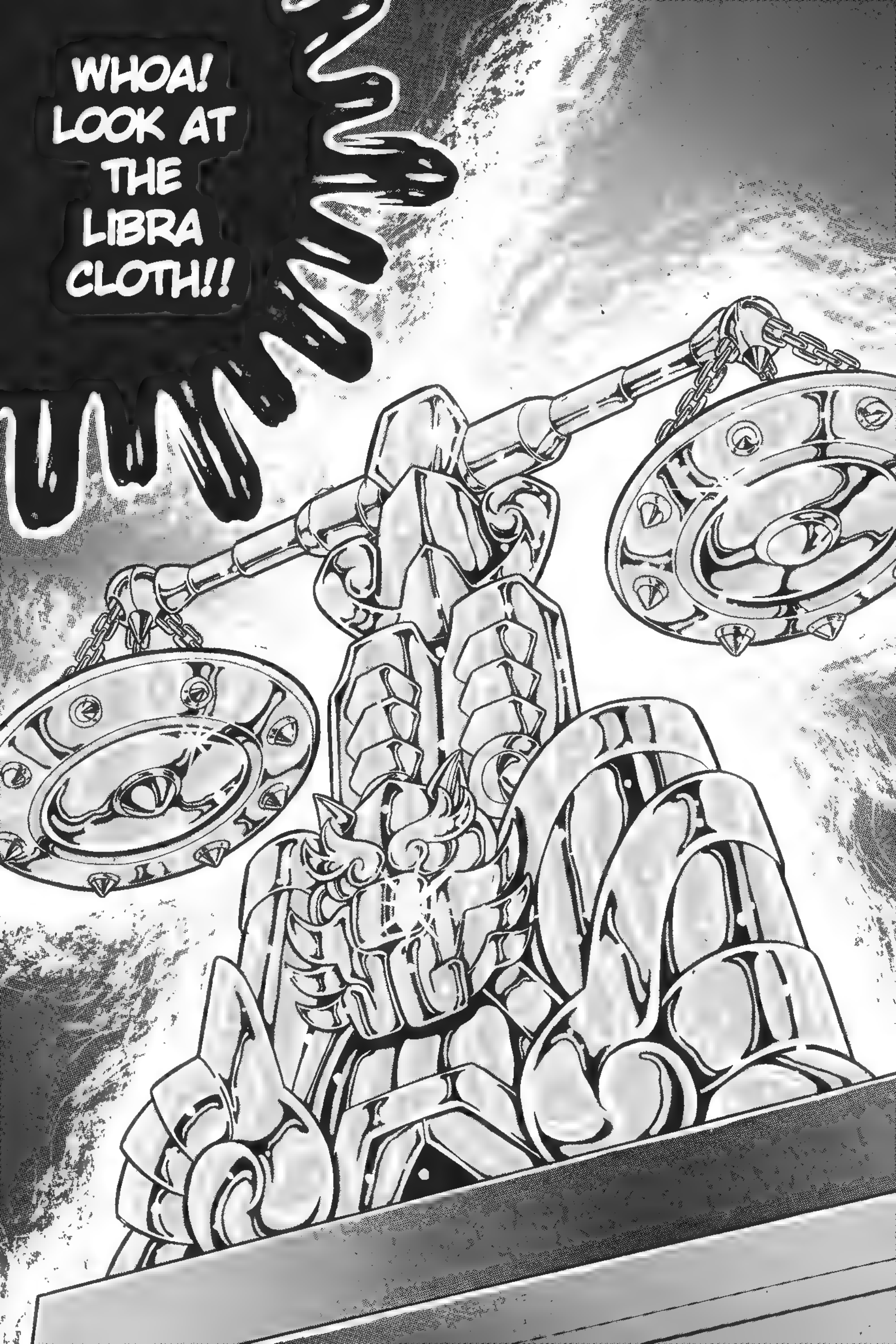
DID YOU FEEL THAT?
YES...
I DID...
JUST BARELY, BUT...
BA-BUMP
FROM WITHIN THE COFFIN OF ICE...
BA-BUMP
IT'S HYÔGA'S COSMO!
BA-BUMP
HYÔGA'S STILL ALIVE!!

OH...
WAIT, SEIYA!
THERE'S STILL A LITTLE LIFE LEFT IN HIM. IF WE GET HIM HELP QUICKLY, HE COULD STILL MAKE IT! I'LL GET HIM OUT OF THIS ICE!
KLACK
PEGASUS METEOR PUNCH!!

WHAT... WHAT'S THIS!?
THERE'S NOT A CRACK IN IT!!
THAT COFFIN OF ICE CAN'T BE BROKEN, SEIYA!
WHAT ?
I ONCE HEARD THIS FROM RÔSHI. IF THAT COFFIN IS CAMUS'S CREATION...
...NOT EVEN THE COMBINED STRENGTH OF SEVERAL GOLD KNIGHTS COULD BREAK IT.
WHAT, THEN?
ARE YOU SAYING HYÔGA WILL BE TRAPPED IN THERE FOR ETERNITY?

WHAT ARE WE SUPPOSED TO DO?
ISN'T THERE SOME WAY TO SHATTER THIS ICE!?
IF WE GET HIM OUT OF THERE NOW, HE MIGHT STILL MAKE IT!
BUT WE CAN STILL FEEL HYÔGA'S COSMO!
CAN'T WE DO ANY-THING?
FIRST BIG BROTHER, NOW HYÔGA...
DOO
WHAT!?
HUH?

WHAT BOX IS THAT?
IT'S THE BOX OF THE LIBRA CLOTH...
IT WASN'T HERE BEFORE. HOW DID IT GET HERE?
KLAK
UNH!
THE BOX IS OPENING !!
KREEEEK


WHOA! LOOK AT THE LIBRA CLOTH!!

READ THIS WAY

THAT PIECE OF THE CLOTH YOU'RE HOLDING... WHAT IS IT?
WAP
WAP
THE TWIN RODS!!
WHIP
WHIP
WHIP

THE SPEAR !!
WIP WIP WIP WIP
TWIN RODS!?
EVERY TIME THEY SLICE THE AIR, STARS APPEAR!
DO YOU MEAN THE LIBRA CLOTH IS...
THAT'S RIGHT. YOU DON'T JUST WEAR IT. EACH PIECE IS A SEPARATE WEAPON!
LOOK!

THE LIBRA CLOTH BREAKS DOWN INTO SIX DIFFERENT PAIRS OF WEAPONS: SPEARS, TWIN RODS, SWORDS, TRIPLE RODS, TONFA, AND SHIELDS. THE LIBRA CLOTH IS 12 DIFFERENT WEAPONS!
SHIELDS!
SPEAR!
TWIN RODS!
THESE ARE WEAPONS THAT ONLY THE 12 GOLD KNIGHTS ARE PERMITTED TO WIELD! NORMALLY, THE KNIGHTS FIGHT UNARMED. THEY CAN'T USE THESE WEAPONS WITHOUT ATHENA'S PERMISSION.

TRIPLE RODS!
TONFA!
SWORD!
AND THEY CAN ONLY BE USED WHEN THE LIBRA KNIGHT HAS DETERMINED THAT THEY WILL BE USED FOR A JUST CAUSE. FOR A LONG TIME, THE LIBRA KNIGHT HAS HAD THE JOB OF JUDGING GOOD KNIGHTS FROM EVIL!

HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
I'D BETTER CHOOSE THE ONE THAT'S BEST FOR CRACKING ICE, OR I MIGHT END UP SMASHING HYÔGA AS WELL.
WOW! THEY LOOK LIKE THEY COULD SMASH A WHOLE PLANET WITH ONE BLOW!
HMM... WITH WEAPONS LIKE THESE, THE GOLD KNIGHTS WOULD BE UNSTOPPABLE!
THE SWORD...
ALL RIGHT. I'LL BORROW THIS ONE, RÔSHI!
ALL RIGHT...
I'M GOING TO FREE YOU, HYÔGA!

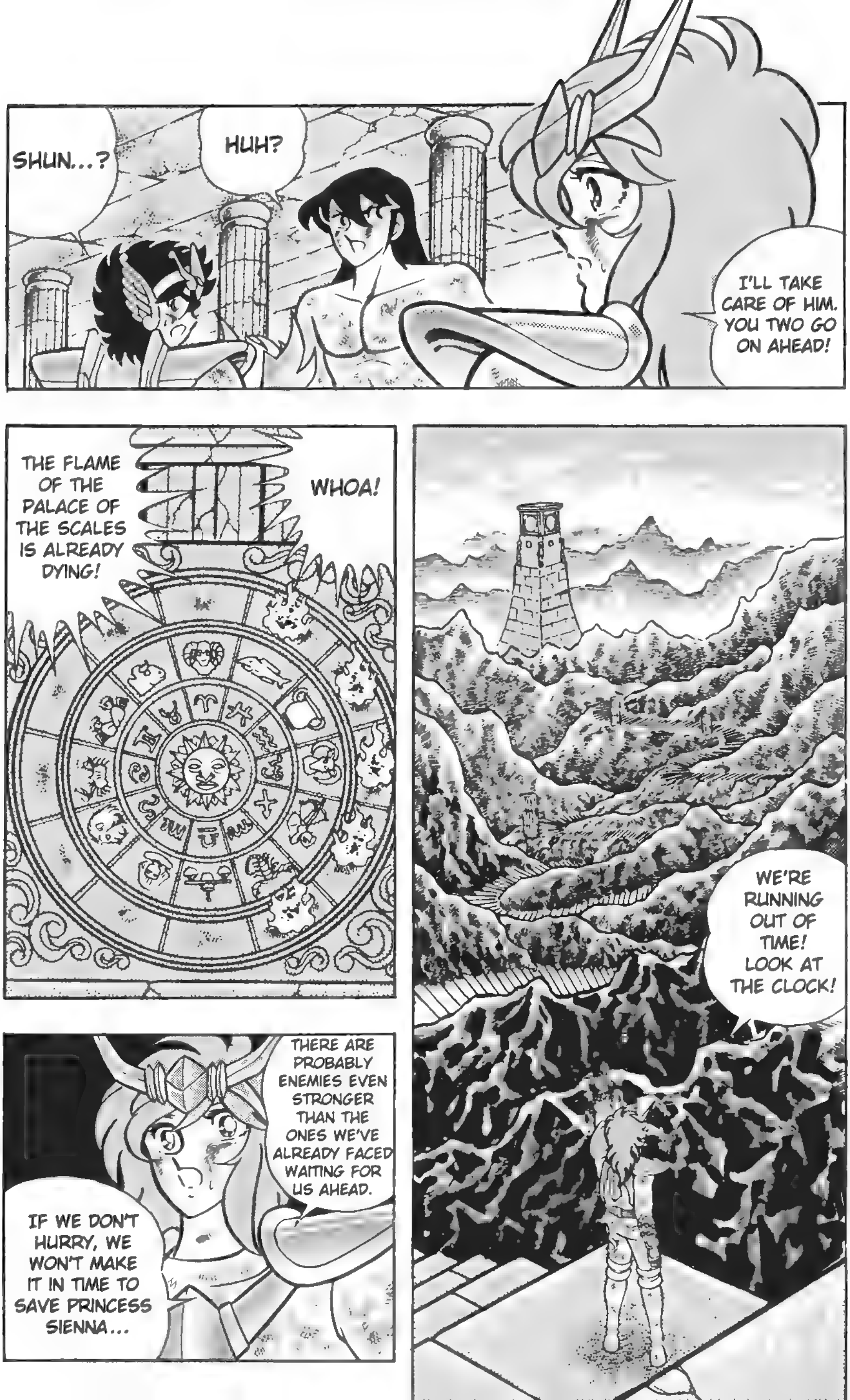
CHASH
REVIVE, SWAN!!

UNH...
KREK
SHIRYÛ ...
SH...
SWUP

BLOOSH

HE SHATTERED THAT IN-DESTRUCTIBLE BLOCK OF ICE...
H-HE DID IT!!
SHIRYÛ DESTROYED IT WITH ONE FLASH OF THAT SWORD! WHAT INCREDIBLE POWER IT HAS!!
HEY! IT'S EVAPORATING!
UNH!
KROOSH

READ THIS WAY


SHUN...?
HUH?
I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM. YOU TWO GO ON AHEAD!
THE FLAME OF THE PALACE OF THE SCALES IS ALREADY DYING!
WHOA!
WE'RE RUNNING OUT OF TIME! LOOK AT THE CLOCK!
THERE ARE PROBABLY ENEMIES EVEN STRONGER THAN THE ONES WE'VE ALREADY FACED WAITING FOR US AHEAD.
IF WE DON'T HURRY, WE WON'T MAKE IT IN TIME TO SAVE PRINCESS SIENNA...

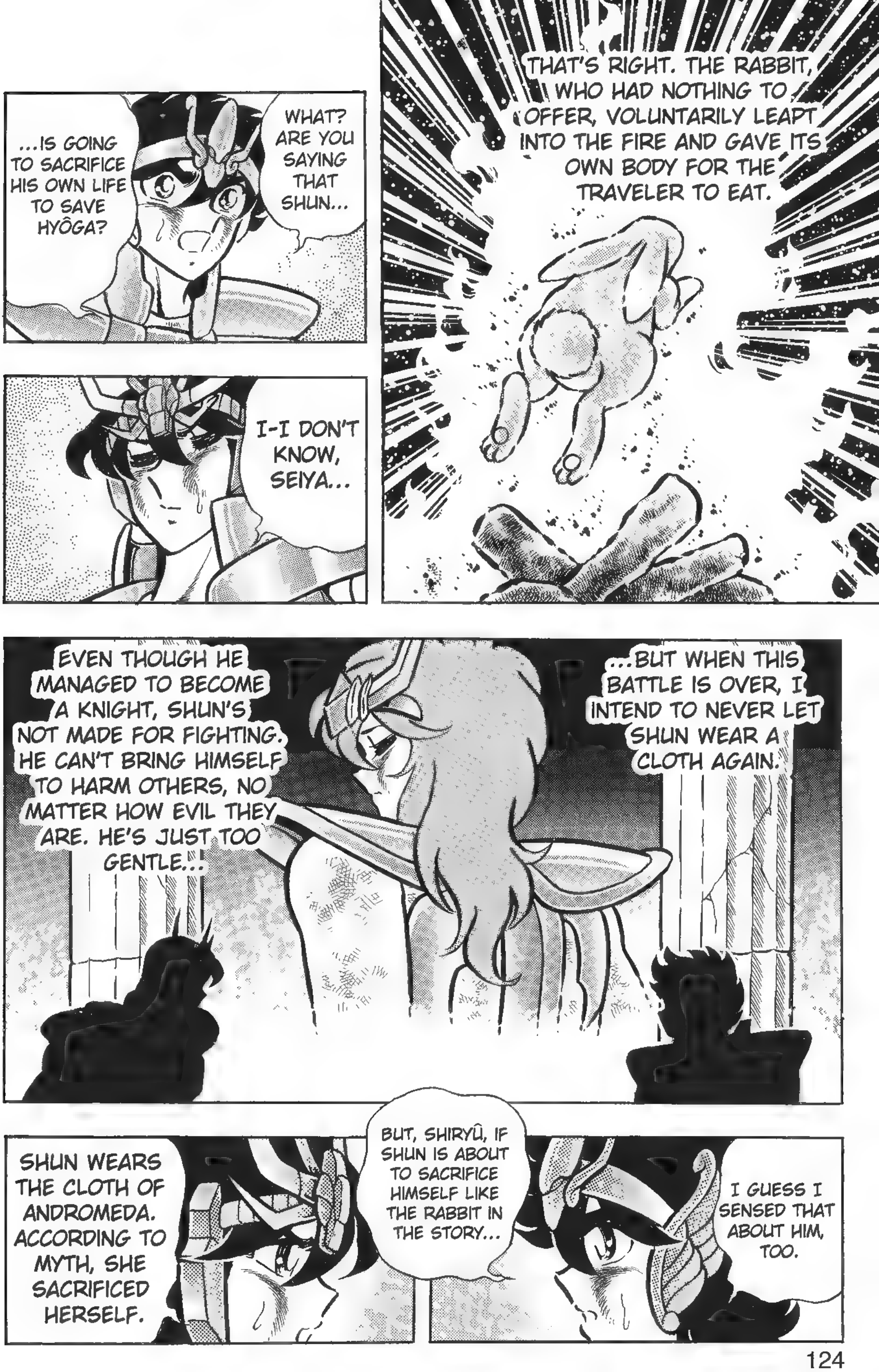
READ THIS WAY
THERE'S NO POINT IN ALL THREE OF US STAYING HERE. HYÔGA'S IN BAD SHAPE.
WE'LL CATCH UP WITH YOU AS SOON AS WE CAN, OKAY?
ALL RIGHT, WE'LL PRESS ON!
WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU, SHUN...
I KNOW. I SWEAR I'LL SAVE HYÔGA!
EVEN AT THE COST OF MY OWN LIFE.
I SWEAR IT...

MY ONLY HOPE IS TO RAISE THE TEMPERATURE OF MY COSMO TO ITS MAXIMUM POINT AND USE ITS ENERGY TO WARM HYÔGA!
I ONCE HEARD THAT THE BEST WAY TO WARM A CHILLED BODY IS WITH THE HEAT OF ANOTHER BODY.
BUT HYÔGA WAS DONE IN BY CAMUS'S FROZEN AURA, SO THAT PROBABLY WON'T BE ENOUGH.
THERE CAN'T BE ANYTHING WRONG ABOUT FLARING ONE'S COSMO TO SAVE LIFE INSTEAD OF TO DESTROY IT...
RRMMMMB
SEIYA AND SHIRYÛ'S COSMOS ARE WEAK FROM THE FIERCE BATTLES THEY'VE FOUGHT.
I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN DO THIS RIGHT NOW...

...BUT WILL HYÔGA REVIVE...
...OR WILL MY LIFE FORCE BURN OUT FIRST?

THIS IS THE 8TH PALACE!
THE PALACE OF THE SCORPION!!
HUH!
UNH!
DID YOU FEEL THAT, SEIYA?
JUST NOW, IT SEEMED...
...IT SEEMED AS IF SHUN'S COSMO BURST.
Y-YEAH...
I'M SUDDENLY RECALLING A BUDDHIST FABLE THAT RÔSHI ONCE TOLD ME...

ONCE THERE WAS A TRAVELER WHO WAS INJURED AND STARVING, AND CLOSE TO DEATH.
A BEAR, A FOX AND A RABBIT HAPPENED UPON HIM AND TRIED TO SAVE HIM.
THE BEAR USED ITS STRENGTH TO HUNT AND BRING HIM FISH AND MEAT.
THE FOX USED ITS INTELLIGENCE TO FIND NUTS AND FRUIT FOR HIM.
BUT THE LITTLE RABBIT COULD DO NOTHING FOR THE TRAVELER.
SO WHAT DO YOU THINK THE RABBIT DID?
THE RABBIT...
NO...


WHAT? ARE YOU SAYING THAT SHUN...
...IS GOING TO SACRIFICE HIS OWN LIFE TO SAVE HYÔGA?
I-I DON'T KNOW, SEIYA...
THAT'S RIGHT. THE RABBIT, WHO HAD NOTHING TO OFFER, VOLUNTARILY LEAPT INTO THE FIRE AND GAVE ITS OWN BODY FOR THE TRAVELER TO EAT.
EVEN THOUGH HE MANAGED TO BECOME A KNIGHT, SHUN'S NOT MADE FOR FIGHTING. HE CAN'T BRING HIMSELF TO HARM OTHERS, NO MATTER HOW EVIL THEY ARE. HE'S JUST TOO GENTLE...
...BUT WHEN THIS BATTLE IS OVER, I INTEND TO NEVER LET SHUN WEAR A CLOTH AGAIN.
SHUN WEARS THE CLOTH OF ANDROMEDA. ACCORDING TO MYTH, SHE SACRIFICED HERSELF.
BUT, SHIRYÛ, IF SHUN IS ABOUT TO SACRIFICE HIMSELF LIKE THE RABBIT IN THE STORY...
I GUESS I SENSED THAT ABOUT HIM, TOO.

THE ANDROMEDA OF GREEK MYTHOLOGY HAD HERSELF BOUND IN CHAINS AND OFFERED HERSELF UP AS A SACRIFICE!!
WHOA! WE'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE PALACE OF THE SCALES!
TUMP
HOLD!!
I AGREE!
THMP

YOU TWO HAVE ARRIVED AT THE PALACE OF THE SCORPION!!
HAVING COME THIS FAR, YOU CAN GO NEITHER FORWARD NOR BACK...
WHOA!
MIRO, THE SCORPIO KNIGHT!!

UGH!
SH-SHIRYÛ, I...
I... I CAN'T MOVE!
YOU TWO HAVE ONLY ONE PATH LEFT TO YOU: TO BECOME THE PREY OF MIRO!
FEEL THE SCORPION'S STING!!

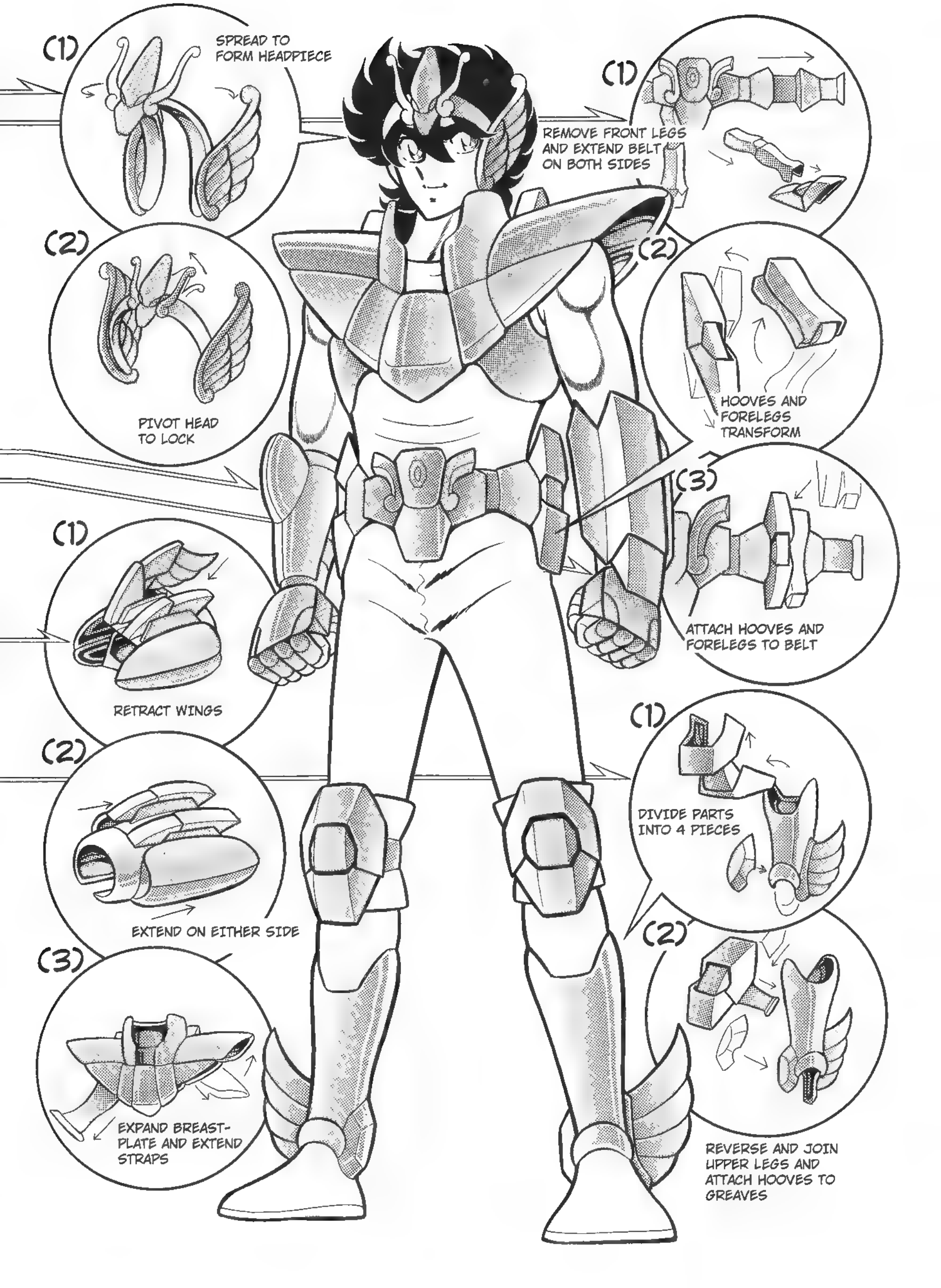
SCARLET NEEDLE !!

READ THIS WAY

YOU'RE NOT WEAK. YOU MADE IT ALL THE WAY TO THE PALACE OF THE SCORPION.
THAT'S ALMOST A MIRACLE IN ITSELF.
BUT I THOUGHT THERE WERE MORE OF YOU BRONZE KNIGHTS...
FWASH

KOOOM

N-NO...
YOU'RE...



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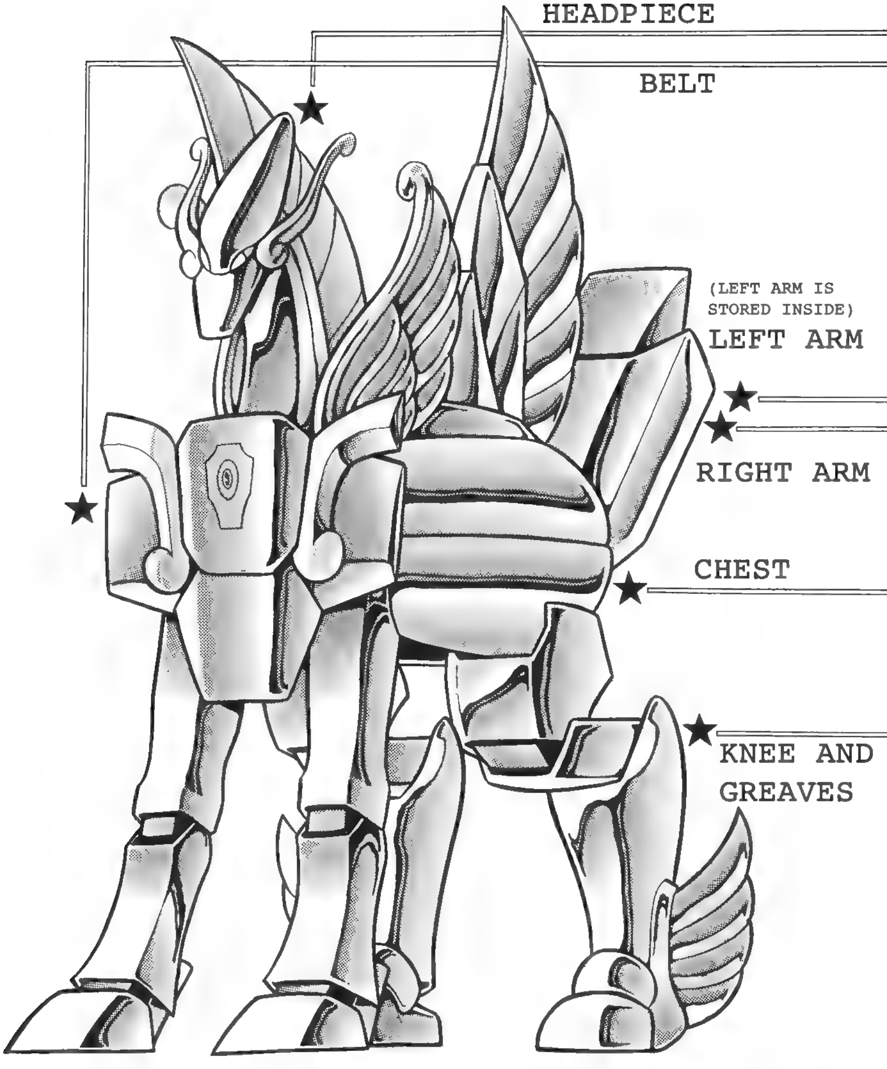

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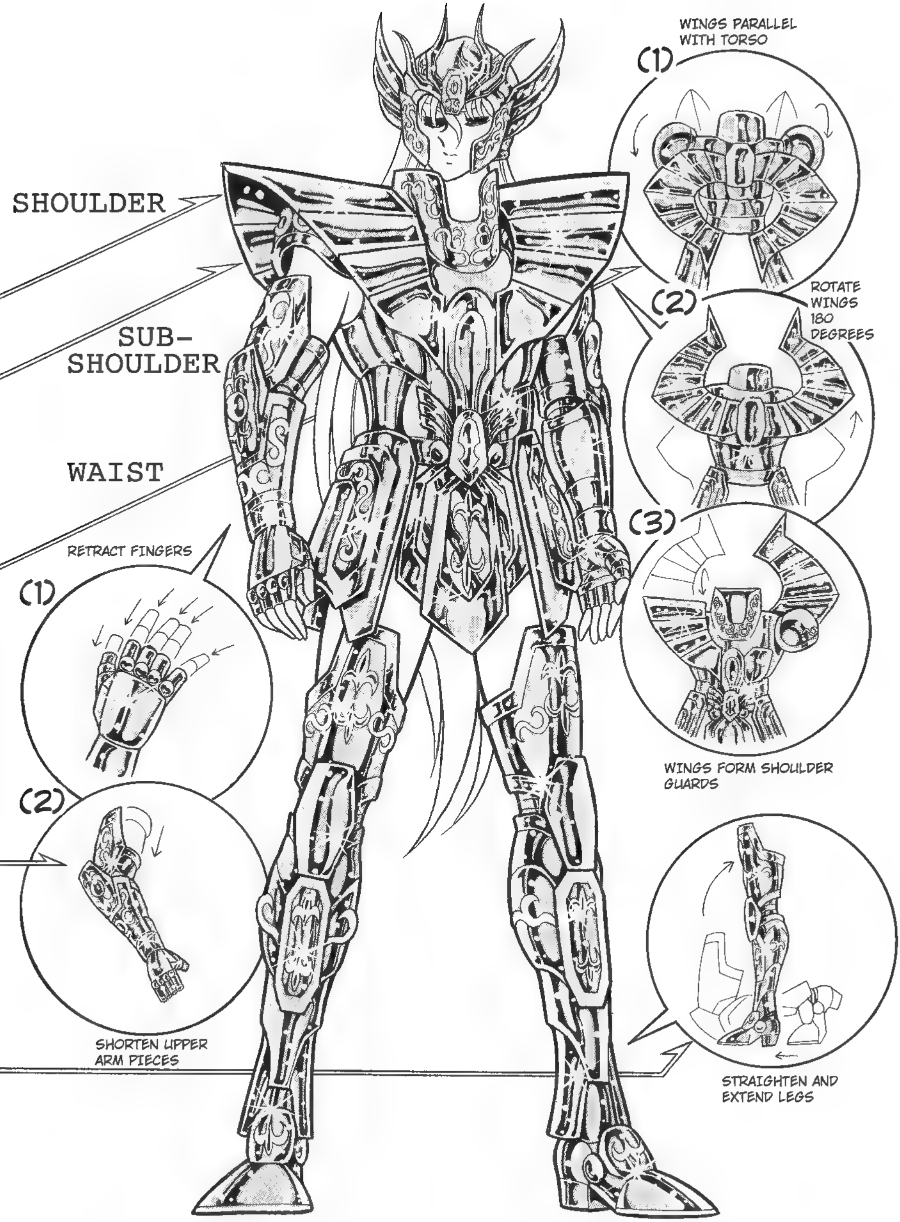

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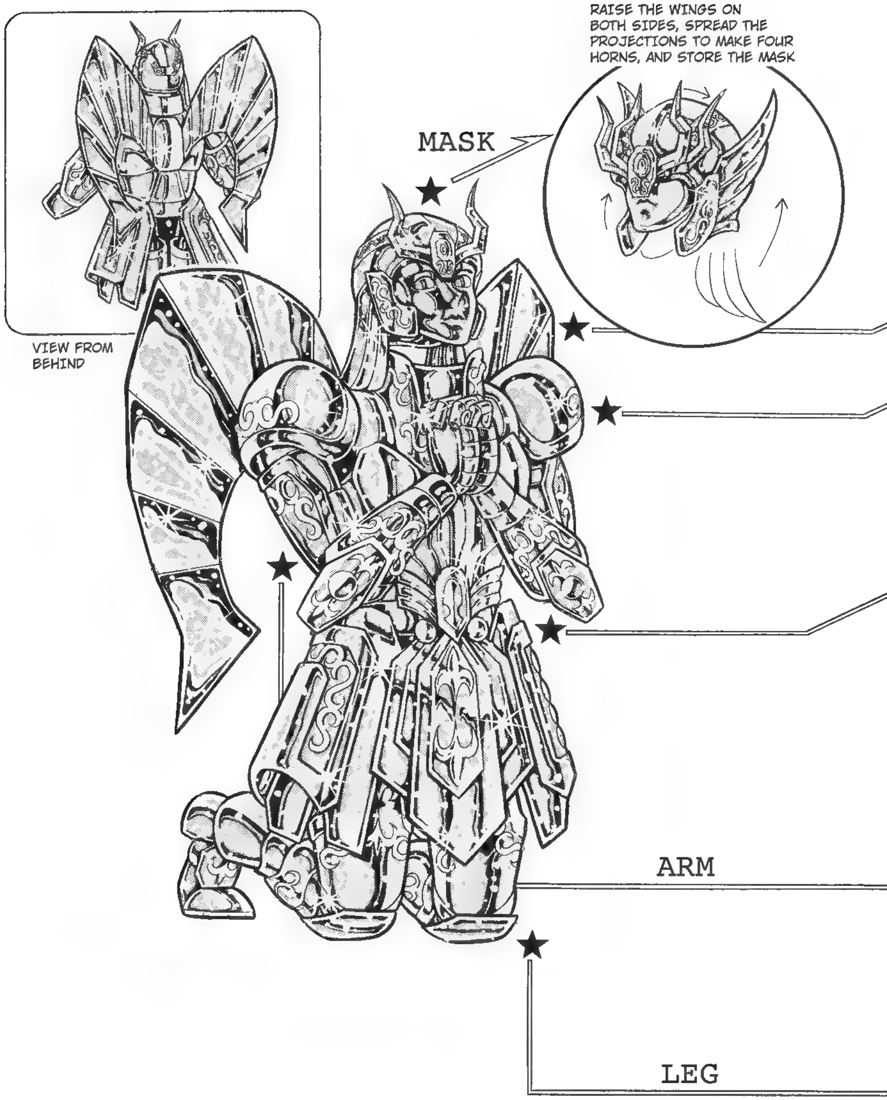
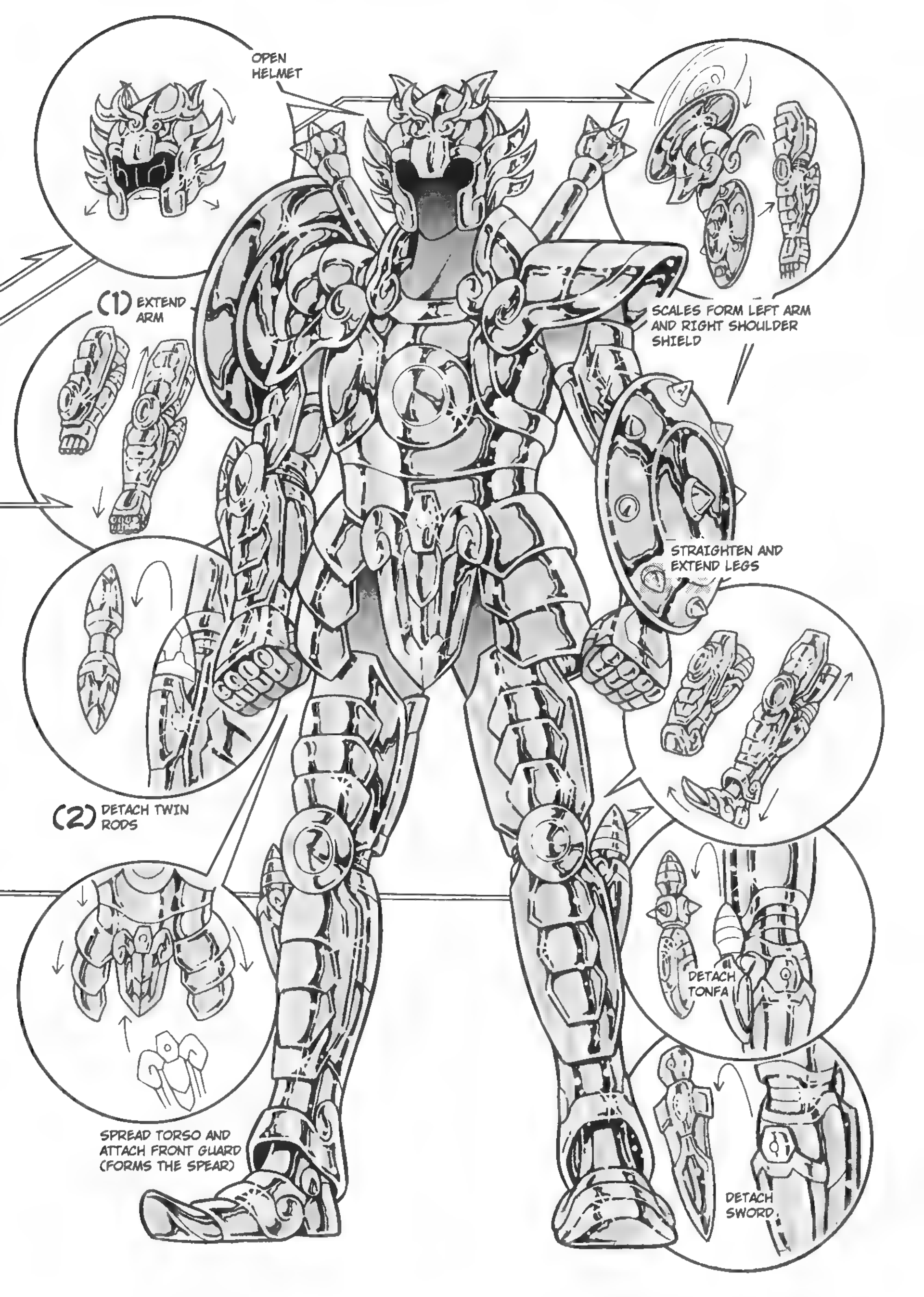


GOLD CLOTH BREAKDOWN AND FITTING CHART 6

THE VIRGO CLOTH



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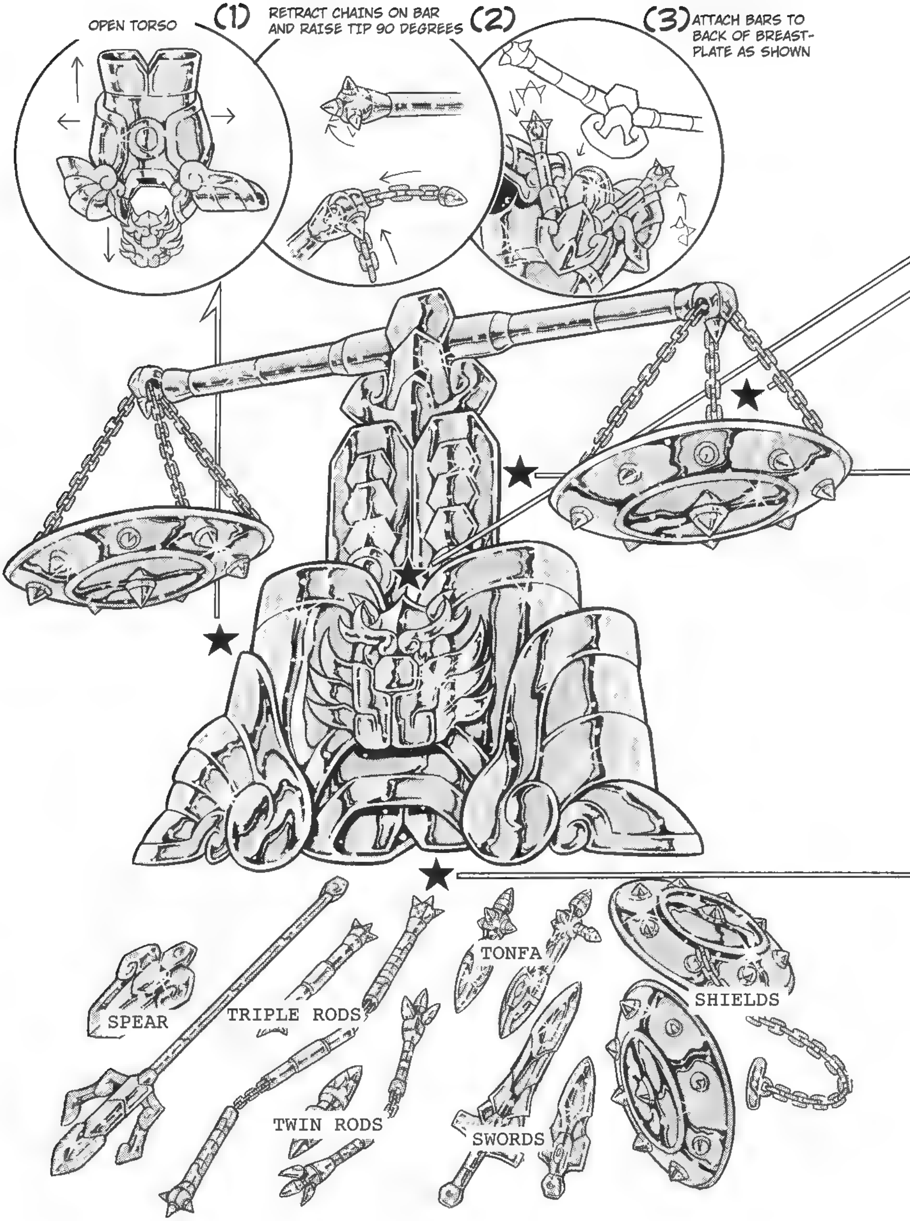

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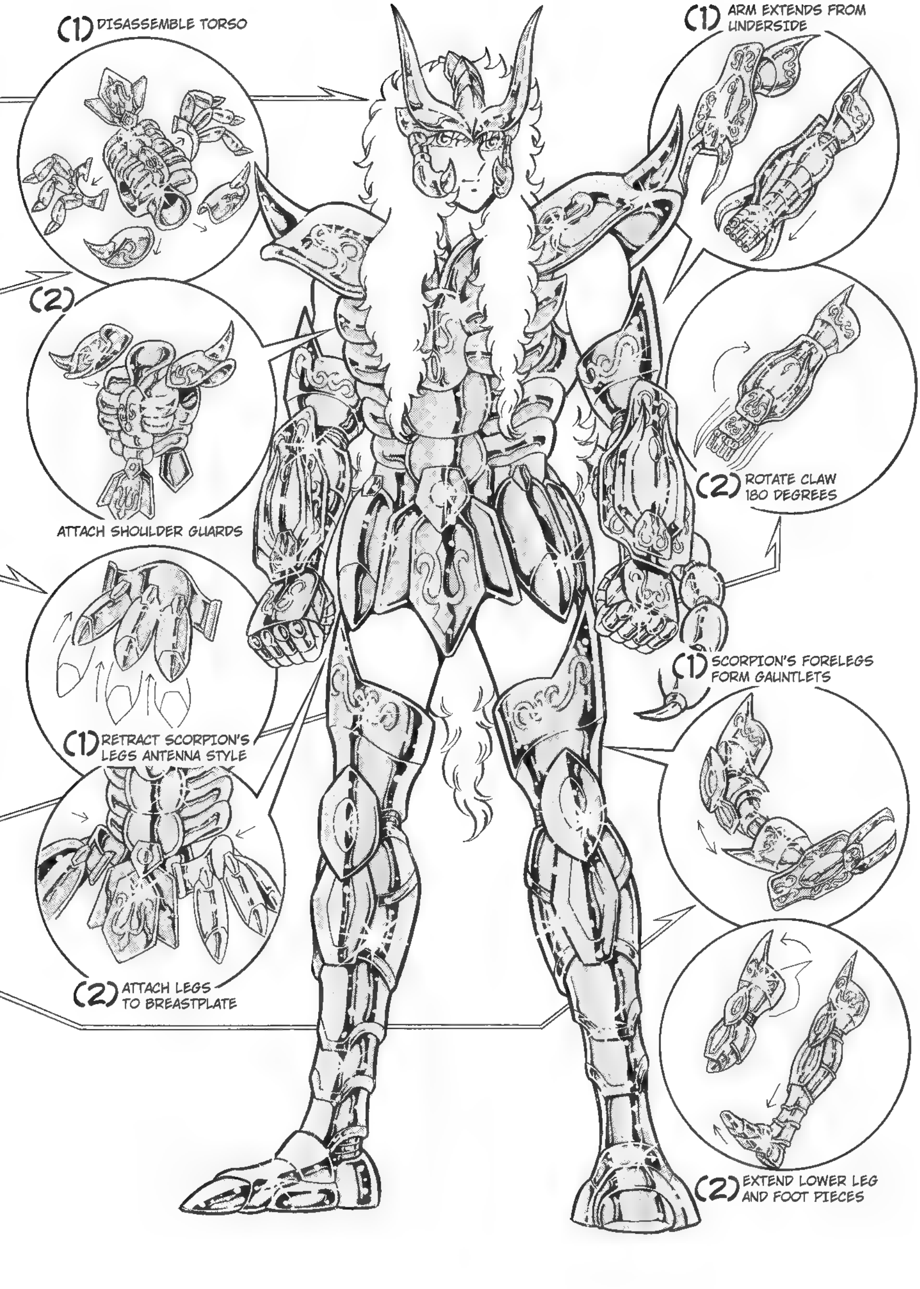
THE LIBRA CLOTH



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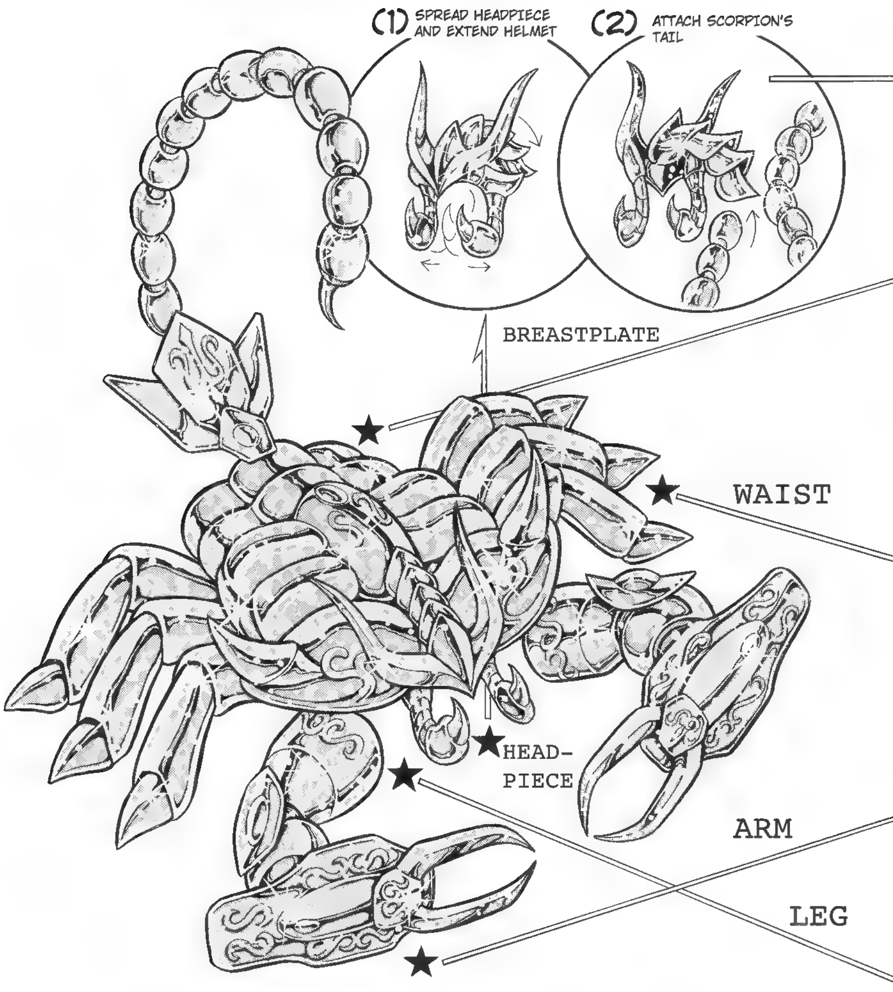


GOLD CLOTH BREAKDOWN AND FITTING CHART 8

THE SCORPIO CLOTH

SCORPION VS. SWAN
THE SWAN !!

HYÔGA!!
HOW? CAMUS WENT TO THE PALACE OF THE SCALES TO DEAL WITH HYÔGA PERSONALLY!
HOW DID HE ESCAPE FROM THE COFFIN OF ICE?
HYÔGA! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT!?
YES, THANKS TO SHUN, WHO GAVE ME HIS OWN LIFE FORCE...
WHAT !?

I THOUGHT MY TEARS HAD DRIED UP LONG AGO, BUT... SHUN INFUSED MY FROZEN BODY WITH THE FIRE OF HIS OWN COSMO...
...AND REKINDLED MY HEART...
IS SHUN DEAD!?
NO!
OF COURSE NOT!!
I CAN'T LET HIM DIE. WE'VE GOT TO REACH THE MASTER'S CHAMBER...
...WHILE SHUN STILL BREATHES!
I'LL TAKE HIM WITH US, EVEN IF I HAVE TO CARRY HIM!
HYÔGA...

YOU TWO AREN'T GOING TO LET A LITTLE SCORPION STING STOP YOU, ARE YOU? GET UP, BRONZE KNIGHTS!
TOGETHER, WE'LL FIGHT OUR WAY TO THE MASTER'S CHAMBER!!

THAT'S A DREAM.
A DREAM?
THE IDEA OF THE FOUR OF YOU GETTING ALL THE WAY TO THE MASTER'S CHAMBER IS AN IMPOSSIBLE DREAM.
WUP
FWASH
RESTRICTION
UNH! HYÔGA!
THAT'S THE MOVE HE SPRUNG ON US BEFORE! IT PARALYZES YOU!

READ THIS WAY

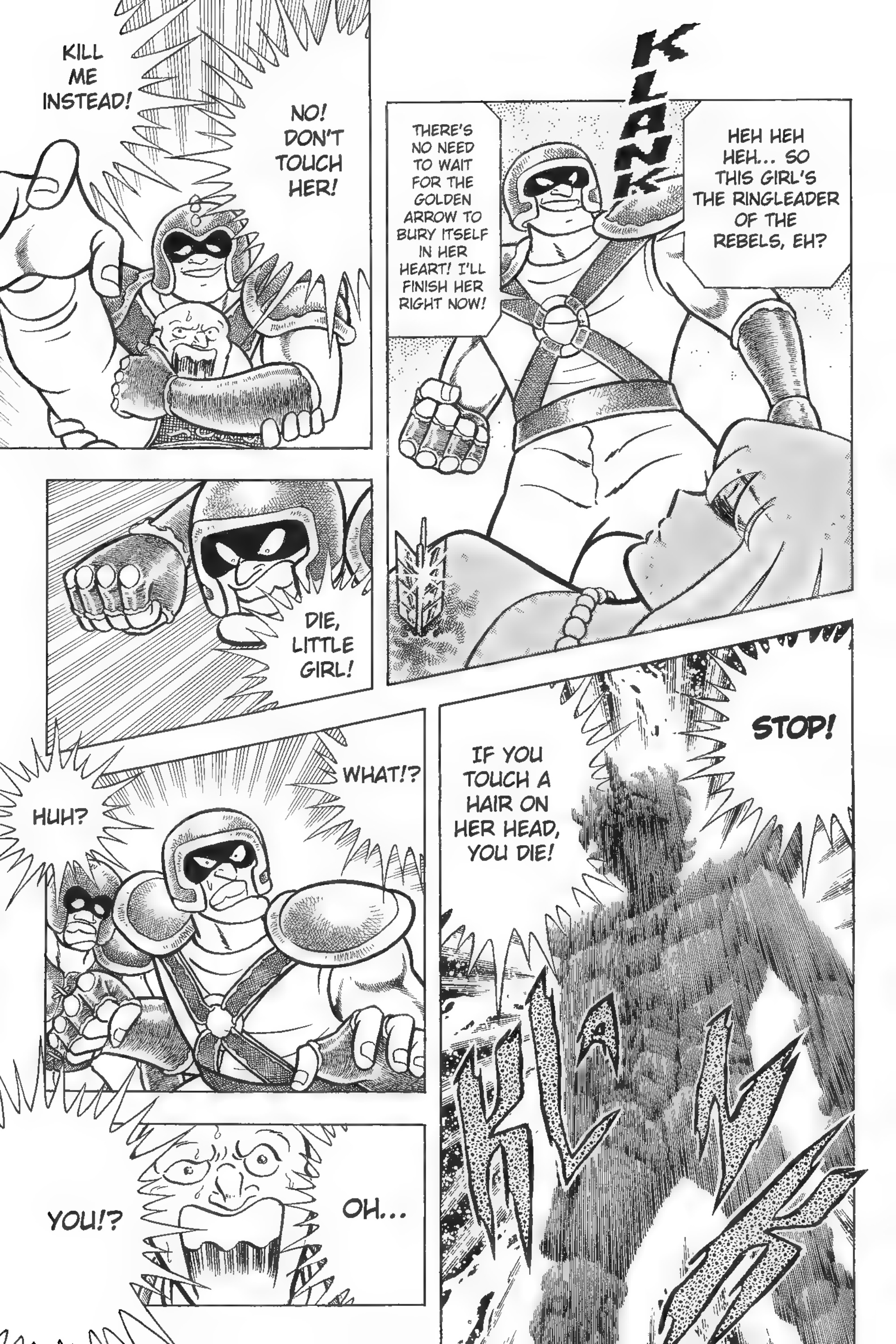
WH-WHAT THE...!?
A RING OF ICE CRYSTALS...
THE RING OF ICE.
NOW IT'S YOUR TURN TO BE FROZEN, MIRO!
RIDICULOUS!
THE RINGS ARE MULTIPLYING...

READ THIS WAY

DOOM
OH, POOR PRINCESS!
THE GOLDEN ARROW PIERCING HER CHEST IS BORING DEEPER AND DEEPER.
MAYBE I SHOULD JUST YANK IT OUT...
I DON'T SEE WHY THE MASTER HAS TO EXTRACT IT.
HURRY UP AND DRAG THE MASTER BACK HERE, SEIYA! THE PRINCESS IS GOING TO DIE!
AAAH! THE FLAME FOR THE PALACE OF THE SCORPION IS GOING OUT!

HEH HEH... WHAT ARE YOU DOING, FOOL?
HUH?
HEH HEH HEH!
TRYING TO COP A FEEL, YOU BALD LECHER?
THERE'S NO NEED TO WAIT FOR THE GOLD KNIGHTS OR THE MASTER TO PRONOUNCE JUDGMENT ON YOU!
INSOLENT FOOLS, USURPING ATHENA'S NAME AND TRES-PASSING IN SANC-TUARY...
WE'LL SEND YOU STRAIGHT TO THE UNDERWORLD!
HEH HEH HEH... AND YOU'VE GOT NAUGHTY HANDS.
WHAT? YOU'VE GOT A DIRTY MIND!!

FOOLS!!
WHAK
KLANK
RAAR!
YOU SENILE BALD APE! YOU THINK A BAMBOO SWORD'S GONNA STOP US?
KLANG
ACK!!
I, TATSUMI TOKUMARU, AM A THIRD-DEGREE BLACK BELT IN KENDO! I'LL DEFEND HER WITH MY LIFE!
I WON'T LET YOU LAY A FINGER ON THE PRINCESS!


KILL ME INSTEAD!
NO! DON'T TOUCH HER!
KLANK
HEH HEH HEH... SO THIS GIRL'S THE RINGLEADER OF THE REBELS, EH?
THERE'S NO NEED TO WAIT FOR THE GOLDEN ARROW TO BURY ITSELF IN HER HEART! I'LL FINISH HER RIGHT NOW!
DIE, LITTLE GIRL!
STOP!
IF YOU TOUCH A HAIR ON HER HEAD, YOU DIE!
WHAT!?
HUH?
OH...
YOU!?

LIONET BAN!
UNICORN JAB!

I SAID, GET AWAY FROM THE PRINCESS!!

BEAR GEKI!
HYDRA ICHI!
WOLF NACHI!
HA! A THOUSAND OF YOU LACKEYS COULDN'T TAKE US!
MORE BRONZES!?
WHAT!?
SO WHAT? THERE'RE ONLY FIVE OF THEM!
LET'S START

UNICORN GALLOP!!
HEH HEH HEH... NOTHING IS PROOF AGAINST THE HYDRA'S VENOMOUS CLAWS!
OOF!
KLANK
WHAT THE...!?

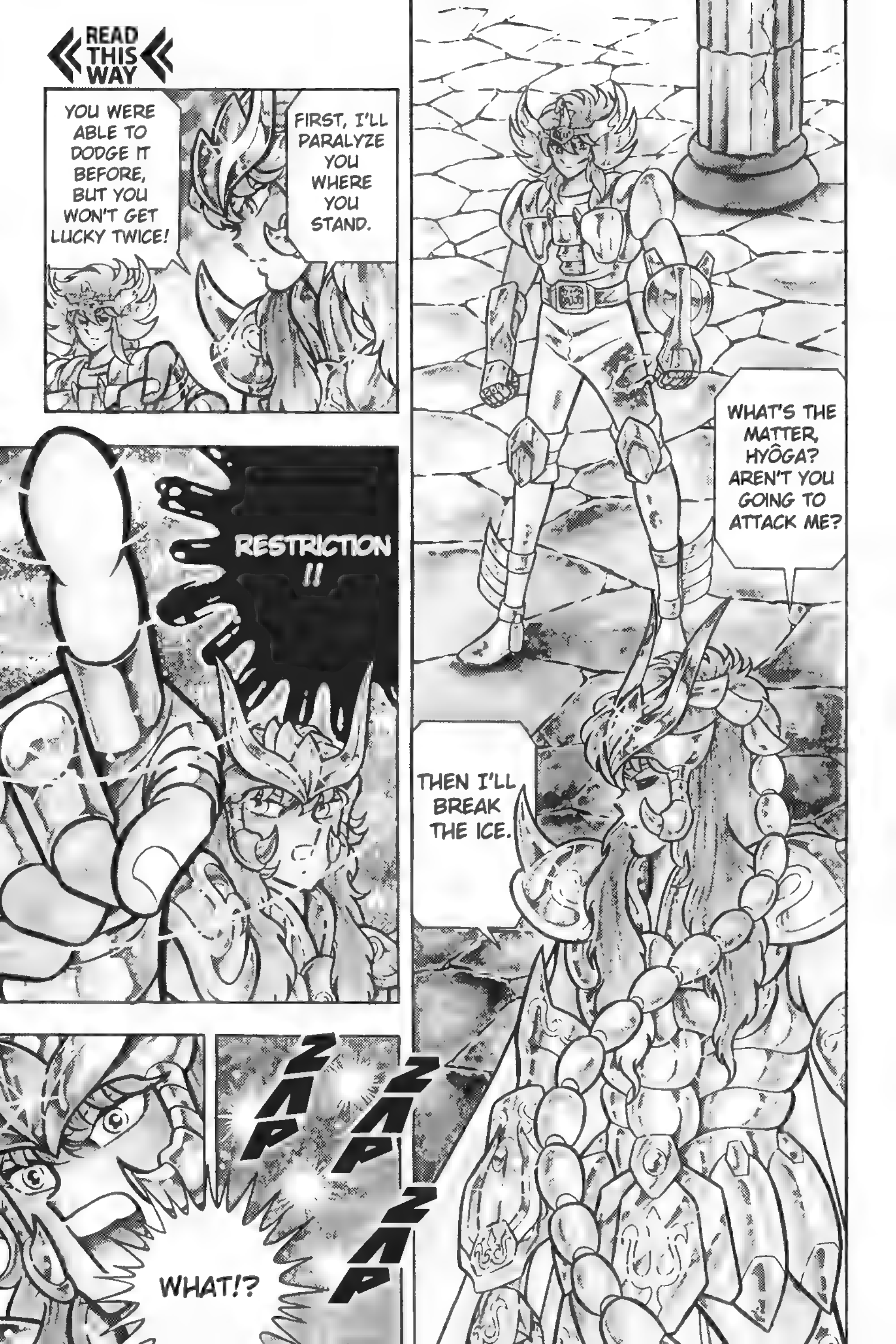
KRAK KRAK KRAK
DEAD HOWLING !!
LIONET BOMBER!!
I FINALLY GOT TO SAY A LINE!
CRUSHING BEAR!!

TATSUMI! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
HEH HEH HEH...
I WAS JUST GOING TO CRUSH THEM WHEN YOU BUTTED IN.
R-RETREAT!!
TOMP TOMP TOMP TOMP
WHOA... WE'RE NO MATCH FOR THEM!
YOU DESERTED THE PRINCESS! IT'S UNFORGIVABLE!
BUT WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN HIDING?
WHAT? YOU WENT BACK TO THE COUNTRIES WHERE YOU TRAINED AS KNIGHTS?
YOU MEAN YOU PUT YOURSELVES THROUGH THAT HELL AGAIN?
TAKE IT EASY. THE PRINCESS GAVE US PERMISSION TO RETURN TO OUR MASTERS FOR FURTHER TRAINING.
HEH HEH HEH. THAT WAS THE DEAL.

WE WILL NEVER ALLOW HARM TO BEFALL YOU AGAIN...
PRINCESS, FORGIVE US FOR ARRIVING TOO LATE.
FOR THE PRINCESS... FOR ATHENA!
YES. AFTER THE SHAME WE SUFFERED IN THE GALAXY TOURNAMENT, WE DECIDED WE HAD TO ENDURE STILL MORE GUT-WRENCHING TRAINING!
NOW THEY'RE FREE TO FOCUS ON GETTING THE MASTER!
AS USUAL, SEIYA'S GROUP HAS HAD TO SHOULDER THE BURDEN, BUT WE'LL STAY HERE AND GUARD ATHENA WITH OUR LIVES!!

TWINKLE
TWINKLE
TWINKLE
TWINKLE
WHAT A LAUGH. YOU THINK YOU CAN STOP ME WITH A LITTLE COLD AIR?
ACTUALLY, NO...

VERY WELL. I'LL PLAY YOUR GAME... WITH ALL MY STRENGTH!!
NOW THE TWO OF US CAN FIGHT WITH-OUT INTER-RUPTION.
I WAS JUST HOPING TO DISTRACT YOU WHILE SEIYA AND SHIRYÛ PASSED THROUGH THIS PALACE.


READ THIS WAY
WHAT'S THE MATTER, HYÔGA? AREN'T YOU GOING TO ATTACK ME?
THEN I'LL BREAK THE ICE.
FIRST, I'LL PARALYZE YOU WHERE YOU STAND.
YOU WERE ABLE TO DODGE IT BEFORE, BUT YOU WON'T GET LUCKY TWICE!
RESTRICTION!!
ZAP ZAP ZAP
WHAT!?

FROZEN AIR!?
THE FROZEN AIR IS SHIELDING HYÔGA FROM MY ATTACKS.
SO THAT'S WHY MY RESTRICTION DIDN'T WORK AGAINST YOU BEFORE, EH?
WHOOSH
IT'S CLEAR THAT YOU WERE TRAINED BY AQUARIUS CAMUS, THE SO-CALLED WIZARD OF ICE AND WATER.
WELL, THEN I'LL DISPENSE WITH THAT!
I SHALL PIERCE YOU, FROZEN AIR AND ALL, WITH THAT DEADLY STINGER KNOWN AS THE SCARLET NEEDLE!

SORRY, MIRO, BUT I WON'T STAND HERE AND LET YOU STING ME!
I'LL TAKE YOU DOWN WITH MY FROZEN AIR BEFORE YOU CAN STRIKE!!
WHY, YOU IMPUDENT-- TAKE THIS!!
DANCE, SWAN!!

DIAMOND DUST!!

SCARLET NEEDLE !!

KABOOM

Y-
YES!!
KLANK
I DEFLECTED THE SCARLET NEEDLE AND FROZE MIRO!

WHAT!?
BUT HOW ARE YOU FEELING, HYÔGA?
HEH, I TOLD YOU -- YOU CAN'T STOP ME WITH A LITTLE COLD AIR!

READ THIS WAY

FWUMP
UGH!
THE SCARLET NEEDLE AFFECTS THE NERVOUS SYSTEM, INFLICTING EXCRUCIATING PAIN AND PARALYZING THE WHOLE BODY.
AGAIN, SCARLET NEEDLE!!
UNH... UNH...
HOWEVER, THE SCARLET NEEDLE DOES NOT KILL WITH A SINGLE STRIKE. IT GRANTS ITS VICTIM TIME TO DECIDE BETWEEN SURRENDER OR DEATH WHILE IT DELIVERS 15 AGONIZING STINGS!

IF YOU DON'T SURRENDER BY THE TIME THOSE 15 STAR POINTS HAVE BEEN PUNCHED INTO YOUR BODY, YOU WILL DIE!
KLANK
UNH...
SUR-RENDER, OR DEATH...
WHICH IS IT, HYÔGA?
THE 15 STINGS REPRESENT THE 15 STARS OF THE CONSTELLATION SCORPIO!!

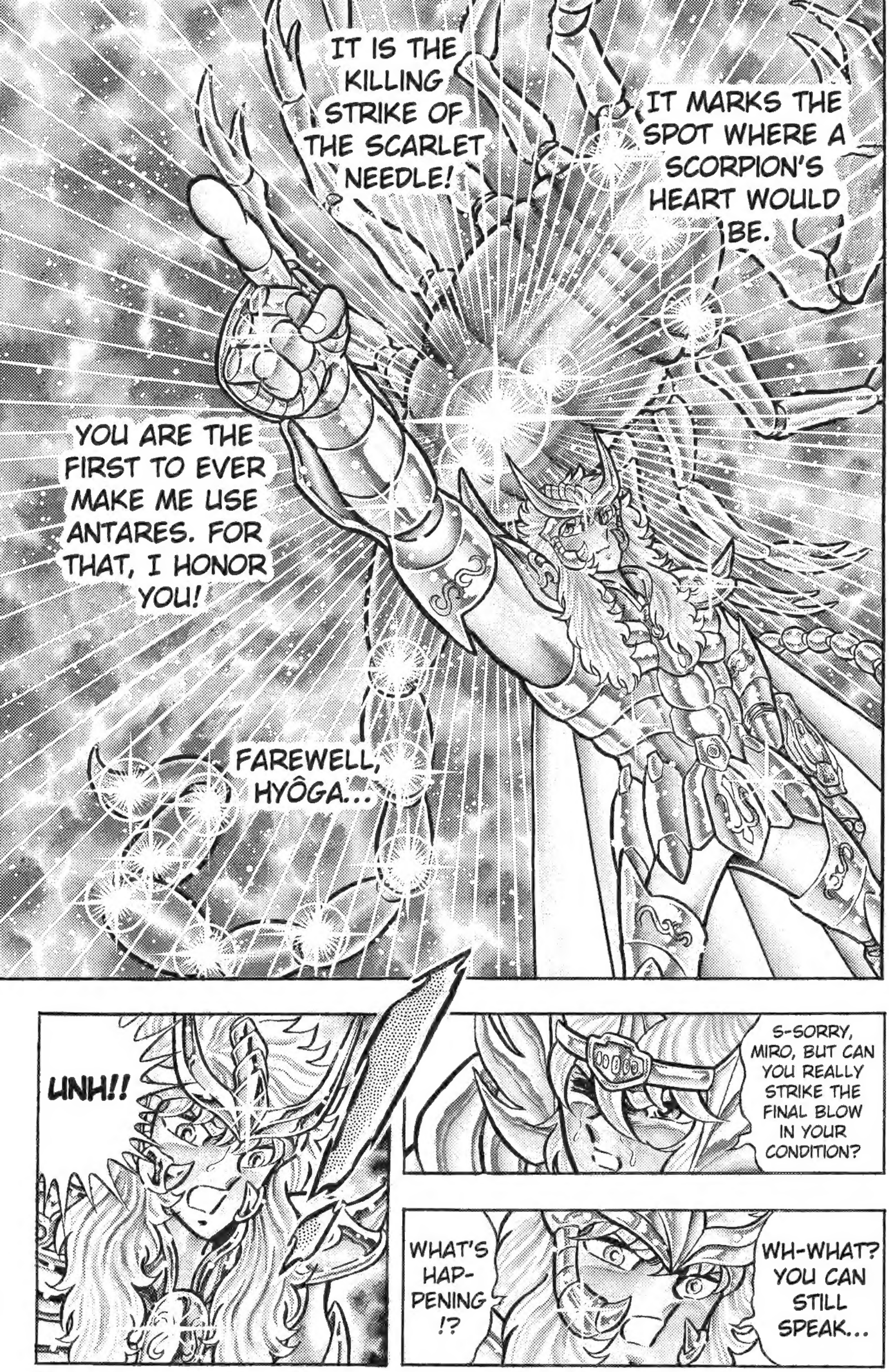
AAGH!!
NO ONE HAS EVER TAKEN ALL 15 STINGS OF THE SCARLET NEEDLE.
THEY ALWAYS SUCCUMB TO THE PAIN BY THE FIFTH OR SIXTH STRIKE, AND EITHER DIE, GO MAD OR SCREAM FOR MERCY.
UNH...
I... I WILL DO NONE OF THOSE THINGS...

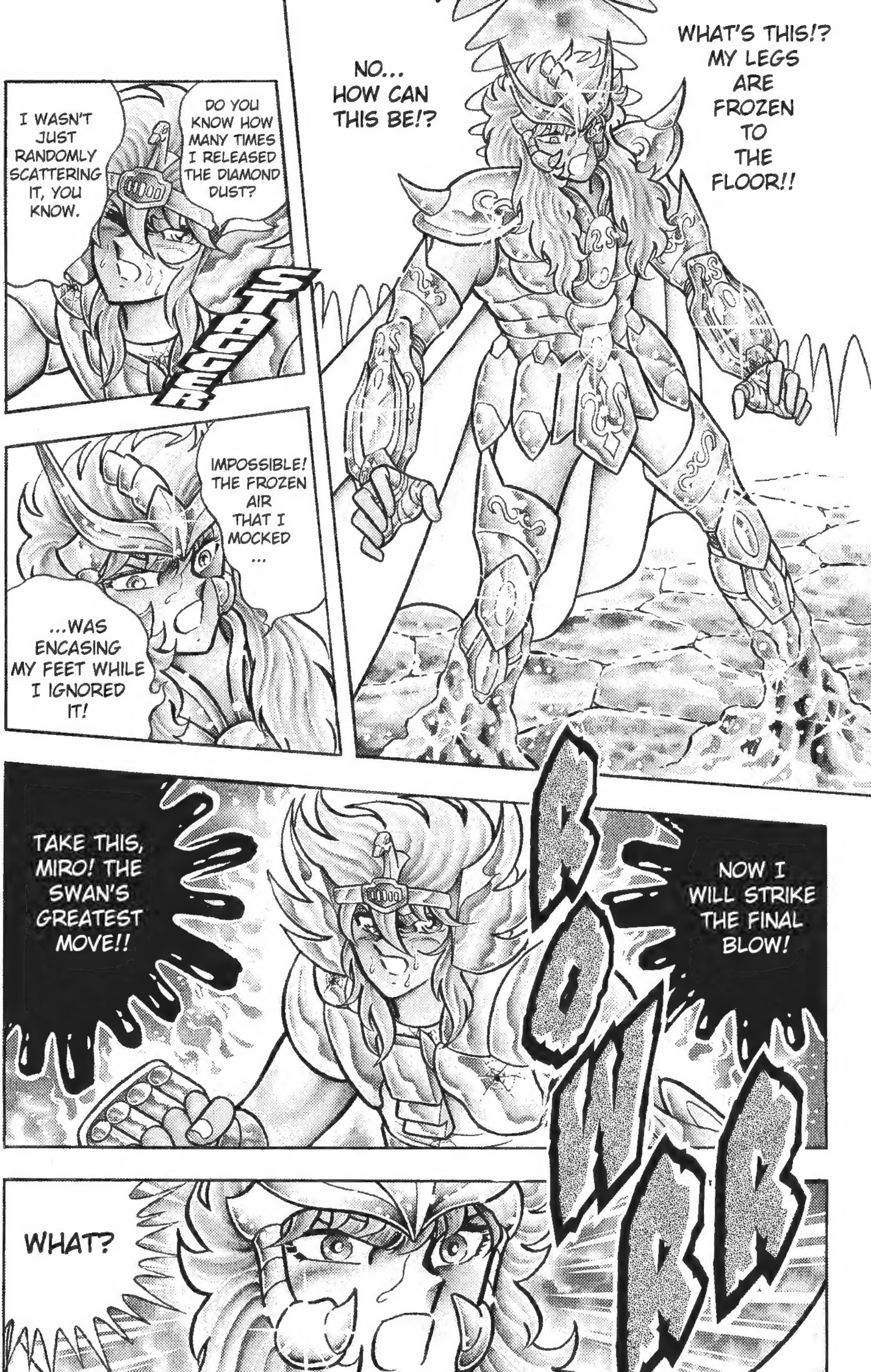
...AS LONG AS THIS SWAN HAS WINGS!!
YOU'LL GO MAD LONG BEFORE YOUR WINGS BREAK!
DIAMOND DUST!!
THAT AGAIN? YOUR FROZEN AIR CAN'T EVEN GIVE ME GOOSE-BUMPS...

ZAP
ZAP
ZAP
ZAP
THAT MAKES NINE STINGS.
ONE MORE AND YOU'LL BE CRIPPLED FOREVER... IF YOU LIVE.
IT'S EITHER SURRENDER OR DEATH, SWAN...
UNH... DON'T MAKE ME REPEAT MYSELF...

I HAVE ONLY ONE ANSWER...
...TO FIGHT!!
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
VERY WELL!!
ZAP
ZAP
ZAP
GAAAGH!!
THREE MORE STINGS AND YOU'LL BE DEAD...
...BUT IT APPEARS YOU WON'T CHANGE YOUR MIND.

ZAP
ZAP
YOUR BODY IS PROBABLY TOO NUMB TO FEEL ANYTHING ...
...BUT, OUT OF RESPECT FOR YOUR FIGHTING SPIRIT, I SHALL DRIVE THE FINAL STING, ANTARES, INTO YOUR BODY!
ANTARES IS THE GIANT RED STAR AT THE CENTER OF THE CONSTELLATION SCORPIO.


IT MARKS THE SPOT WHERE A SCORPION'S HEART WOULD BE.
IT IS THE KILLING STRIKE OF THE SCARLET NEEDLE!
YOU ARE THE FIRST TO EVER MAKE ME USE ANTARES. FOR THAT, I HONOR YOU!
FAREWELL, HYÔGA...
S-SORRY, MIRO, BUT CAN YOU REALLY STRIKE THE FINAL BLOW IN YOUR CONDITION?
UNH!!
WH-WHAT? YOU CAN STILL SPEAK...
WHAT'S HAP-PENING !?


I WASN'T JUST RANDOMLY SCATTERING IT, YOU KNOW.
DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY TIMES I RELEASED THE DIAMOND DUST?
STAGGER
NO... HOW CAN THIS BE!?
WHAT'S THIS!? MY LEGS ARE FROZEN TO THE FLOOR!!
IMPOSSIBLE! THE FROZEN AIR THAT I MOCKED...
...WAS ENCASING MY FEET WHILE I IGNORED IT!
TAKE THIS, MIRO! THE SWAN'S GREATEST MOVE!!
NOW I WILL STRIKE THE FINAL BLOW!
WHAT?

SMERCH!!
KHOLODNYI
TO BE CONTINUED IN VOLUME 11!